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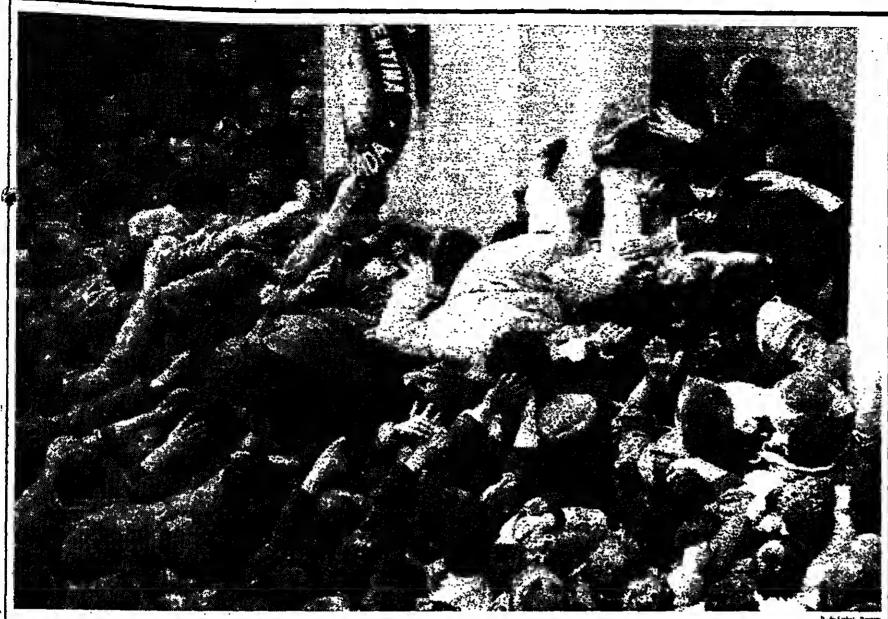
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LOOKING FOR A WAY OUT — Romanians, some even leaping atop the throng, mobbing the Argentine Embassy in Bucharest on Monday to seek immigration forms.

The scuffles have become a daily event for the past two weeks, ever since Argentina said it would receive applications. The embassy said that 17,000 had applied to emigrate.

China Accuses U.K. of Sowing Disorder in Colony

By Nicholas D. Kristof

New York Times Service BELIING - Prime Minister Li Peng on

Monday accused Britain of "perfidiously" trying to create disorder in Hong Kong and attempting to impede the territory's smooth re-

Mr. Li used the occasion of a two-hour policy address, opening the annual session of the Na-tional People's Congress, to step up the atrack on British proposals to introduce more democ-racy in Hong Kong, His voice rising in outrage.

speech to warn that China would hold Britain fully responsible for the consequences of the

. The speech also indirectly accused the United States and France of "having deliberately

Hong Kong stocks plunged. Page 13.

created obstacles to China's peaceful unification" by selling weapons to Taiwan. While Mr. Li specifically referred only to "certain foreign elements," it was clear that he meant Washington and Paris, "

Mr. Li also warned that China was ready to take "strong measures" - apparently meaning full military force — to prevent Tarwan from proclaiming itself an independent country separate from China.

Communist Party leaders have worked for several months to draft the speech, which is equivalent to a state-of-the-nation address. Consequently, it represents the views of the entire leadership, not just of Mr. Li, and as such

vision the party has for China's future.

This year, however, the speech seemed to contain more slogans than vision. While Mr. Li called for officials to "emancipate the mind" and hasten economic liberalization, he spoke in Communist clickes that undermined the mes-

"We should dare to think and act, boldly experimenting with new reforms, so long as we See COLONY, Page 7

Delors to See Clinton In Attempt to Cool **Brewing Trade War**

International Herald Tribune

BRUSSELS - The European Community sought Monday to play down the prospect of a trade war with the United States. The Community announced that Jacques Delors would meet President Bill Clinton on Thursday, and EC officials refrained from any threat of retaliation in a dispute over public procurement.

The move comes amid heightened EC-U.S.

trade tensions and a flurry of conflicting trade developments. These included remarks Friday by Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representauve, that American retaliation was almost certain in the procurement dispute; and the U.S. approval Monday of British Airways' investment in USAir.

Mr. Delors, president of the EC Commission, had been expecting to pay a get-acquainted call on Mr. Clinton in Washington before returning to Europe from a visit to Latin America, officials said. But the confirmation of the meeting took on much greater significance after a lastminute U.S. decision to call off negotiations on the procurement issue, which had been sched-uled to take place Monday in Brussels. "Trade's at the top of the agenda." an EC

spokesman said of Thursday's meeting. The dispute over telecommunications and public procurement contracts involves a rela-tively small amount of overall U.S.-EC trade and dates back more than a year into the presidency of George Bush.

Nevertheless, Mr. Kantor's decision last Friday to cancel the talks and probably bar European companies from about \$50 million in federal contracts raised fears in Europe that the Clinton administration will act unilaterally to advance U.S. trade interests. The move also threatened to worsen a trans-Atlantic climate already soured by disputes over aircraft subsidies, steel and agriculture.

The Community's trade commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, said the cancellation of talks was "surprising" and "a very negative step." He was expected to meet with his trade negotiators on Tuesday to draft a response after returning from a trip to the former Czechoslovakia.

Officials in Brussels said there was little

chance of any action that could forestall the U.S. sanctions, which are scheduled to go into effect next week. But they indicated there was no talk of any immediate European retaliation.

One scnior EC official said the Community

was still waiting to see a coherent Clinton strategy on broader trade issues, including a conclusion of the Uruguay Round of global trade talks, and did not want to escalate the theteric on stubborn questions like public procurement. The EC Commission is hoping that

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Tennessee. (Page 2)

U.S. Approves BA-USAir Deal

The Clinton administration on Monday approved a scaled-down, \$300 million investment by British Airways in the troubled American carrier USAir. (Page 13)

BA, which had withdrawn an earlier proposal for a \$750 million deal in the face of opposition from other U.S. airlines, will now be able to book USAir customers in 38 American cities onto BA's trans-Atlantic flights through the practice known as code-sharing.

Mr. Delors's meeting with Mr. Clintoo, and a trip by Mr. Kantor to Brussels on March 29. will help clarify positions.
"We better wait for an explanation of what

this means," this official said, adding that the Community was unlikely to take any retaliation over the public procurement dispute before Mr. Kantor's visit.

A senior U.S. official in Brussels also tried to play down the cancellation of the talks on procurement. There was no sign that a breakthrough was likely, he said, and Washington had already set a March 22 deadline for retalia-tion over an EC directive that took effect in January, setting up preferential criteria for giv-ing European public procurement contracts to ropean companie

Nevertheless, the U.S. official said the tough posturing by the Clinton administration on trade was not accidental. Canceling the procurement talks was "quite likely to concentrate the EC's mind" on broader trade issues, including the need to complete the Uruguay Round,

The talks on public procurement have long been stalled, with the United States demanding greater access to the EC market for telecommunications and power-generation equipment and the Community seeking inroads into the U.S. markets for transportation and energy.

Specifically, Mr. Kantor canceled the talks planned Monday because of Europe's refusal to drop a recent directive that allows European companies a 3 percent price preference over non-European companies in bids on telecommunications and power equipment, and can require 50 percent local content from a bidder. EC officials said the preferential rules were designed specifically to wrest concessions from

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Seoul Imposes Sanctions Against North

By David E. Sanger

SEOUL - President Kim Young Sam, imposing the first of what is expected to be a series of economic sanctions against North Korea, on Monday ordered an end to all moves to invest in the North's crippled economy until it reverses its decision to withdraw from the Nuclear

Nonproliferation Treaty.

At the same time, South Korean officials attempted to reduce the mounting political tension between the two countries, saying that they wanted to avoid any action that would corner the regime of President

sanction, reflected the gradual easing in recent years of South's national preoccupation with the threats facing it from just over the Demilitarized Zone 56 kilometers (35 miles) from Seoul.

[In Geneva, a North Korean diplomat said Monday that war could

break out "at any moment" with South Korea, Reuters reported. Ri

I'II we respond to it, it will mean a war, and this war cannot but be an all-out war," Mr. Ri said.

[In Moscow, the Itar-Tass press agency said North Korea had banned foreigners from entering the country and tightened restrictions on movements of its foreign residents.]

Seoul now suggest, the North Korean government is running out of friends and maneuvering room almost as fast as it is running out of money. As a result, government officials are advocating a gradual economic squeeze on the North, rather than any abrupt action to terminate its suspected nuclear weapons project or destabilize its

Korean military exercises.

New York Times Service

Kim I) Sung or risk military conflicts.
"We must make all efforts to resolve this in a peaceful manner," said Foreign Minister Han Sung Joo, "and not to make the situation worse." The deliberately conciliatory tone, matched with the strict economic

Tcheul, North Korean ambassador to the UN in Geneva, said bullets and shells were being fired "toward our side" in joint U.S.-South

With an atomic bomb or without one, several government officials in

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UN General's Gamble Pays Off in Bosnia

PARIS — General Philippe Morillon, com-mander of the United Nations troops in Bosma-Herzegovina, said Monday that he had won agreement by Rosnian Serbs for a conditional ocase-fire around the besieged Muslim city of

"I have obtained an accord for the cessation of hostilides, for a cease-lire providing the Bosnian presidency orders an end to the coun-teroffensive it has launched," he told French television by radio from Srebrenica.

The Bosnian Army commander, Sefer Hali-lovic, on Monday evening ordered his troops to call off their counteroffensive.

An order issued by Mr. Halilovic "at the request of Morillon" called for a suspension of the action.

bostage," General Morillon said. "By going to this meeting with them I proved this was not so."

General Morillon, who has been in the eastern Bosnian town for several days, spent Mon-day afternoon negotiating with the head of the Bosnian Serbian forces, General Ratko Mladic. General Morillon said be hoped that an aid

convoy held up for several days would arrive in Srebrenica on Tuesday morning, bringing in food and evacuating the wounded. The Bosnian Serbs had said they would not allow UN convoys through until General Mor-

illon had left the city. The Serbs "thought I was n prisoner or a

said. "Yes, I am a shield; I told them that I had now given my word. I will remain in Srebrenica as long as I consider that the safety of the inhabitants is at risk."

not received aid by road since December. Refugees in Srebrenica are fighting among themselves over the air-dropped food, said a doctor with the group Doctors Without Bor-

day with General Morillon, said be had seen two people who had been crushed to death when crates of U.S. aid fell on them.

(Reuters, AP)
The New York Times reported earlier from Driven by fears that thousands more Mus-See BOSNIA, Page 7

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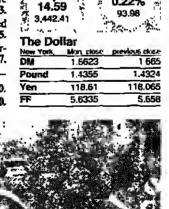
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ISRAELI SETTLERS TAKE TO STREETS - Israeli settlers settling up a roadblock Monday in the occupied West Bank town of Ramallah to protest the killing of two Israelis by Arabs. In Washington, Prime Minister Rabin said he was willing to pull back from the Golan Heights to make peace with Syria. Page 7.

Bundesbank Cools Optimism For Rate Cuts

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches MILAN -The president of the Bundesbank warned Monday that no one should assume that the German central bank would cut interest rates because of the Solidarity Pact agree-ment between Chancellor Helmui Koht and

Germany's regional governments.

Helmut Schlesinger, speaking to journalists in Milan, reiterated that German inflation was still too high, a reason given in the past for the Bundesbank to keep key rates up. "We are not linking rate decisions to any

particular event such as wage agreements or the Solidarity Pact," Mr. Schlesinger said. "The social pact is very important for the German economy and for investors," he said. "This is the most positive result I can give." Yet, Mr. Schlesinger also said that German

inflation was on a continued "downward

Financial markets seemed uncertain Monday whether to bet on a rate cut from the Bundesbank this week. Speculation about whether a Bundesbank council meeting Thursday would decide to lower German interest rates ebbed and flowed during the day, but the dollar and the Deusche mark remained relatively steady. Hones for a cut in German interest rates were revived by news of agreement on the so-called

Solidarity Pact last weekend. The agreement announced Saturday which is already coming under criticism — calls for a 7.5 percent income tax surcharge starting in 1995, abandons plans to cut social spending and redistributes revenue from the value-added tax to the benefit of the states, particularly in Eastern Germany.

The Bundesbank will hold a regular council meeting this Thursday. Its key discount rate is currently at 8 percent and its Lombard rate at 9

Meanwhile, union sources said that wage oegotiations affecting the 20.000 steelworkers in Eastern Germany failed on Monday, giving rise to fears of a new labor conflict in the area

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Keeping the Doctor Away Forget the Apple, Try an Applejack

LONDON - A medical research study in Britain has shown that people who drink alcohol every day catch fewer colds. Of about 500 volunteers at the Common

Cold Research Unit, those who drank up to three shots of whiskey, three glasses of wine or three bottles of beer every day caught far fewer colds than those who drank little or

"We were not looking for this," said Dr. David Tyrrell, one of the researchers. "It was a completely unexpected finding. He said he and an American researcher, Dr. Sheldon Cohen, did the study almost as an afterthought two years ago, before the cold research unit shut down after 43 years. The Medical Research Council, Dr. Tyrrell said, concluded that n cure for the common

cold was too obscure a quest to justify further financing.
The last thing Dr. Tyrrell and Dr. Cohen
did was to ask their volunteers, people aged
did was to ask their volunteers with various 18 to 50 who had been injected with various of the 200 known cold viruses, to complete a Health.

questionnaire about personal habits. They analyzed the answers against large banks of data already compiled on the subjects. The results, Dr. Tyrrell said, pointed to an

inverse correlation between alcohol consamed and the frequency of cold symptoms. All of the subjects carried more or less equal amounts of cold virus, he said, yet those who had been perennially plagued with sniffles, sneezes, runny noses and clogged sinuses turned out to be the ones who drank little or no alcohol. The drinkers

showed virtually no cold symptoms. "It's unlikely there is any psychological explanation," Dr. Cohen said. "The virus was certainly present in the people who drank alcohol, but the symptoms were not

so prevalent." Dr. Tyrrell said they could not measure the effects of higher alcohol consumption because a high intake would have excluded subjects from the research group.

The results of the study are to be published in the American Journal of Public

"The Serbs say that I'm a human shield," he not only until the arrival of the first convoy but

Stebrenica has been under siege for 11 months, and its population of about 60,000 has

"People who get the aid are the strongest,"
Dr. George Dallemagne said at a news conference in Brussels. "It really is a struggle for life." The doctor, who reached Srebrenics on Fri-

In Juliet's Hometown, True Love Still Goes Awry

By Alan Cowell VERONA, Italy — O Romeo, Romeo. Wherefore art thou Romeo? Or Omer, or Tony? Juliet's not the only person who'd

Last year, some 2,000 letters from the lovelorn across the globe arrived in this northern Italian city that Shakespeare endowed with fame beyond its Roman antiquities, addressed either to Juliet Capulet, or, since she was secretly wed by the

And just about all of them ask the same question - albeit modified for different loves—that Juliet posed four centuries ago in Shakespeare's romantic tragedy: Wherefore, or why. does love's faithful vow so often bind together couples whose families do not want them bound? Why is romance so tricky? For a city grieving over more recent woes - drug addiction

and kickback scandals embracing even the local socrer team -

the new industry of promoting fair Verona as the metropolis of the world's broken hearts may be one of the few rays of light to break through the city's troubles.

To scholarly purists, the Club of Juliet - a private organization that receives, translates and answers Juliet Capulet's mail may simply be perpetuating a myth that Verona has promoted since the late 19th century, not so much for the sake of historical accuracy as in the interest of drawing visitors to spend money here.

First, there is what the official city guidebook assures the visitor is Juliet's villa in Via Cappello: "Tradition has it that this was the house of the Capulets, the powerful Veronese family to which Juliet belonged."

But according to Giulio Tamassia, the president of the Club of Juliet, the 13th-century edifice was deemed to be Juliet's place only in the 1880s or the 1890s, when a group of notables decided to purchase it.

Then came the vexing question of the balcony. Romeo and Juliet simply would not be Romeo and Juliet without the balcony to separate the lovers' sighs, even though Shakespeare's text alludes only to "Juliet at a window above

after Romeo vaults over n wall into the Capulets' orchard. The only problem was that the house on Via Cappello did not have a balcony until the 1920s, when, according to Mr. Tamassia, one was taken from another building of the same

period and affixed to "Juliet's villa." But the municipal legerdemain seems to have worked. In 1937, the first of 10.000 letters sent over the years to "Juliet,

Verona" arrived — from an Englishman. At first, various Veronese took it upon themselves to answer the mail. Then, a couple of years ago, Mr. Tamassia conceived the idea of the Club of Juliet, and enlisted students from the

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At Least 115 Dead As the Eastern U.S. Digs Out of Blizzard

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Millions of people in the Eastern United States struggled Monday with the effects of the weekend blizzard, with many travelers still stuck in airports or on snowbound interstate highways. At least 115 people, from Cana-

da to Cuba, died in the storm. Hundreds of thousands of homes and businesses still had no electric-

North Carolina officials estimated that 160,300 people were still snowbound at home or in shelters 'in the state's mountainous west. with plowing crews making little progress in reaching them. In Tennessee, officials said that more than 1,000 people were still housed in 95 shelters in 27 counties.

Rescuers used helicopters, plows, front-end loaders and four-wheel-drive vehicles to reach hikers, travelers and snowbound rural

New York City officials asked workers to leave their cars at home and take mass transit. Street parking gave way to mounds of snow as 1,700 snowplows began clearing city streets

Most schools in storm-hit areas were closed, although the New York City school system, the nation's largest, was open. In Wash-ington, federal offices were open, but many employees were unable to reach their offices because of

difficult travel condition The highest death toll was in Florida, with 26. Pennsylvania reported 19 deaths; New York, 16; Tennessee, 8; Alabama, 7; North Carolina, 5, and Georgia and Virgina 4 each.

President Bill Clinton granted federal disaster relief to 21 Florida counties hit by wind and flooding and approved emergency aid for Alabama and Tenness

In the mountains of eastern Tennessee, 100 hikers remained in shel-ters and tents. In North Carolina's Great Smoky Mountains, 56 students from a school in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. were missing.

Ray Carson, a spokesman for the Cranbrook Kiogswood Upper School, said 66 of the 122 students, teachers and other adults were safely out. He said the rest were unac-

The authorities in West Virginia resumed a search on Monday for six horseback riders from Ohio missing since Friday in the rugged Cranberry Glades wilderness area. The group included a 12-year-old and a 13-year-old. The area got up to 44 inches (1.1 meter) of snow and drifts were up to 16 feet (about five meters).

Aviation officials said the disruptions to air travel were among the most widespread in memory. Although most airports were reopened by Monday, closings were expected to affect or delay flight plans through Tuesday, according to the Port Authority of New York

and New Jersey. Officials had closed oearly every airport oo the East Coast, from South Florida to Maine, forcing the caocellation of thousands of

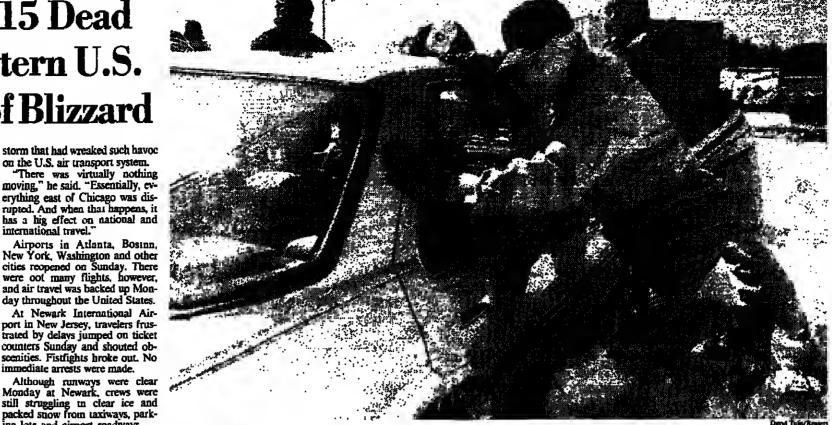
Jerry Lavey, a spokesman for the

storm that had wreaked such havoc on the U.S. air transport system.

"There was virtually nothing moving," he said. "Essentially, everything east of Chicago was disrupted. And when that happens, it has a hig effect on national and

Airports in Atlanta, Bosinn, New York, Washington and other cities reopened on Sunday. There were oot many flights, however, and air travel was backed up Monday throughout the United States. At Newark International Air-

trated by delays jumped on ticket counters Sunday and shouted obscenities. Fistfights broke out. No immediate arrests were made. Although runways were clear Monday at Newark, crews were still struggling in clear ice and packed snow from taxiways, park-ing lots and airport roadways.



(NYT. AP. Reuters, AFP) Governor Neil Miller of Georgia, foreground, helping motorists push a car stranded by the weekend blizzard in Calhoun, Georgia.

Century's Worst? Records Didn't Fall Everywhere

By William K. Stevens NEW YORK - Was it the winter storm

of the century? Scranton, Pennsylvania, and Chattanooga, Tennessee, certainly have reason to think so. The blizzard of 1993 dropped 21 inches (53 centimeters) of snow in each

place, a record in both cases. But many New Yorkers and other residents of the Washington-Boston corridor need not be accused of an excess of cynical cool if they look at the weekend's snows and ask, "So what else is new?"

It all depends on what locality one is talking about, and on how the storm is measured.

Over all, few winter cyclones have inflicted so wide a variety of heavy weather - from snow to rain to sleet to hurricaneforce winds to thunderstorms - on so many places at once, And by at least one criterion, this storm looks peerless; No

winter storm so intense has ever affected so vast an area inhahited hy so many If that is the measure, then it probably

was the storm of the century, said Paul G. Knight, a meteorologist at the Pennsylvania State University Weather Communications group.

Mr. Knight and his colleagues are call-

ing the storm a "snow-a-cane," since it combined the characteristics of a hurricane and a hlizzard in one vast weather system. Winds circulating counterclock-wise around the storm's center lashed Atlanta and Boston simultaneously.

Still, there were wide differences in the storm's impact. In a broad stretch strad-dling the Appalachians, reaching from just west of metropolitan New York City to western Pennsylvania and western New York state, it was a first-order blizzard. Two feet (60 centimeters) of snow was common, and a few spots got three feet.

Snowfrifts mounted as high as 10 feet. Snow fell on New York City early in the storm, then sleet and in some spots rain. If it had been all snow, Mr. Knight said, Manhattan might have received more than the foot or so it did get. That would have equaled the last major winter cyclone to hit the New York metropolitan area, a monster that dropped 17.6 inches on the city on Feb. 12, 1983. But it would have fallen far short of the city's record of 26.1 inches on Dec. 26, 1947, not to mention

the 21 inches of the blizzard of 1888. In the Washington-Boston corridor, said Mr. Knight, "in no way was it the storm of the century in terms of snow," Snow aside, the storm's gigantic rotating air mass created such intensity that

atmospheric pressures hit record low readings in many places. In Philadelphia, the 28.43 inches of mercury measured Sunday was a record low, oot only for winter storms, but for all storms there.

intense winter cyclone, whose central pres-sure reached 28.2 inches of mercury at Canton, in northern New York state, in

stronger its winds. This weekend's pres-sures produced hurricane-force gusts up and down the coast, from Cherry Point, North Carolina, to New York's La Guardia Airport to Boston's Logan Airport.

The pressure at the storm's center was actually lower than that of a hurricane that devastated New York's Long Island in August 1991. That storm was rated a category 3 oo the Saffir-Simpson scale, meaning that it was of moderate-to-high intensias hurricanes go.

But a hurricane is "more tightly wound" than a winter storm, Mr. Knight said, and this weekend's circulating winds were therefore less concentrated, producing no sustained winds of hurricane force.

WORLD BRIEFS

53% in Danish Poll Back EC Treaty

COPENHAGEN (AFP) — Fifty-three percent of Danish voter would support the Maastricht treaty in a second referendum on May 18, while 31 percent are opposed and 16 percent are undecided, according to a poli published Monday by the financial daily newspaper Borsen.

In the poll, which was based on a survey of 1.041 people on March 8 and 9, 40 percent of the voters who identified themselves as Social Democrats were opposed to greater European unity, while 43 percent

Democrats were opposed to greater European unity, while 43 percent

were in favor and 17 percent were undecided.

Among voters from the Socialist People's Party, 75 percent were opposed to the treaty, despite several concessions to Denmark made by the European Community after Danes rejected the treaty in a referending in line. The least all provides indicated a financial statements. in June. The latest poll results indicated a rift between the rank and file of the Socialist People's Party and its leaders, who pledged their overwhelming support for the treaty during an extraordinary meeting on Sunday.

Suspicion on Another Italy Politician

ROME (Renters) — Renato Altissimo, the secretary-general of the Liberal Party, became the latest high-profile victim on Monday of n corruption scandal that is tearing the Italian political system apart,

Reports on evening radio and television bulletins said Milan magistrates had sent Mr. Altissimo, whose party is part of Prime Ministelle Guillano Amato's coalition government, an official warning that he faced

The reports, also carried by several Italian news agencies, said Mr.

Altissimo was being investigated for bribes his party allegedly received from the state electricity board ENEL and the ANAS national road investigation for corruption. building organization. Mr. Altissimo, contacted at his bome, denied

Somali Factions Reopen Peace Talks

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP) — A new round of Somali peace talks opened Monday with faction leaders still at odds over whether to create a national government. However, they said they were willing to form the regional anthorities that United Nations officials say are occided for relief

and reconstruction efforts to continue.

As he entered Africa Hall, Mohammed Ali Mahdi, the self-proclaimed

As he entered Africa Hall, Mohammed Ali Mahdi, the self-proclaimed Somali president who claims to represent a coalition of 11 factions, called for a transitional government. "A national government should come from this meeting," he said, adding that the government would then determine when to hold elections.

But other members of his coalition and his chief rival, General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, said they favored first building regional authorities that could form police forces to help end widespread banditry. A U.S.-led coalition arrived in December to impose order and safeguard aid deliveries that were being stolen in what was then a land in anarchy.

Arab League to Discuss Lockerbie

TUNIS (Reuters) — An Arab League committee will meet Thursday in

Tunis in a new effort to solve Libya's standoff with the West over the

Tunis in a new effort to solve Libya's standolf with the west over the Lockerbie affair, official sources in Tunisia said.

Foreign ministers from Egypt, Syria, Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco, Mauritania and Libya, all committee members, will meet with the Arab League's scretary-general, Esmat Abdel Meguid.

Diplomats in Tunis said the meeting precedes an April 15 deadline for a UN review of the sanctions imposed on Libya for noncooperation.

Record reports have said Western governments were considering broader Recent reports have said Western governments were considering broader sauctions against Libya, including a ban on its oil, to make it hand over two of its nationals accused of blowing up Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988, killing 270 people.

Pilots Cite Electronic Gadgets' Effect

WASHINGTON (AP) — About 40 pilots have complained to the U.S. government that their instruments had been affected by passengers'

electronic gadgets, and the complaints have prompted an airline industry

group to press for an outright ban.

The government prohibits only the use of cellular phones and radio

devices on flights, leaving a range of popular electronic devices from computers to calculators "in limbo," a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration said. Recently, the agency warned pilots of possible interference from these devices, but it added that "the probability of all necessary conditions occurring simultaneously is extremely low." It has necessary conditions occurring simultaneously is extremely low."

A majority of the pilots' complaints about interference cited cellular

amplaint involved lap-top computers, followed by remote-control toys.

phones or citizens band radios as the culprit. The second-most common

Last week, Northwest Airlines prohibited the use of electronic gadgets

during takeoffs, landings, and when a plane is below 10,000 feet. Delta Airlines already had prohibited cellular phones, portable CD players and

It has ordered further study.

TRAVEL UPDATE

UN Panel Indicts El Salvador Military

UNITED NATIONS, New York — El Salvador's military committed the vast majority of strocities during the country's civil war, ranging from the massacre of six Jesuits to the slaughter of thou-sands of civilians, an international rights panel said Monday.

The United Nations-appointed commission called for the immediate removal of the military officers whom it cited for human rights violations and urged that right abusers be harred from political office for at least 10 years.

"The army, security forces and death squads linked to them committed massacres, sometimes of hundreds of people at a time," said the panel's report, which was re-leased after a seven-month investi-

Federal Aviation Administration, said he could oot remember a sued, President Alfredo Cristiani of

El Salvador called for a general amnesty, saying it would "close the door to all temptation of revenge and reprisals."

But Ferman Cienfuegos, a member of the rebels' political commisston, rejected the idea, saying, First we must apply the recom-mendations and later discuss the possibility of an amnesty."

The UN secretary-general, Bu-tros Butros Ghali, agreed with that proposal. "In order to dui de

trauma of the war, the Salvadorans have to go through the catharsis of facing the truth." Mr. Butros Ghali said Mooday. There can be no reconciliation without the public knowledge of the truth."
The UN panel, made up of U.S.,

Colombian and Venezuelan jurists. was set up under a January 1992 peace accord that ended the 12year war. Most of the 75,000 people killed in the war were civilians suspected of leftist leanings.

The commission blamed rebel

leaders for some rights violations, saying they bad ordered the deaths of U.S. soldiers and of mayors of towns under government control. But among killings attributed to the military was the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Armulfo Ro-mero in 1980 as the war was begin-ning. The slaying of Archbishop Romero as be led a Mass, and the 1989 murder of six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper and her daughter

chain of command for the slaying of the Jesuits that led to General René Emilio Ponce, then a colonel, who resigned Friday from his post as defense minister.

trained Atlacatl Battalion kill the report said.

The Atlacatl Battalion, which was disbanded last year, also committed the worst massacre of the war, the slaughter of at least 200 peasants around El Mozote in December 1981. Some estimates of the death toll reach 1,000.

When bodies from the massacre were exhumed last year, investigators said most of the dead were children, women and elderly men. Investigators said many apparently were killed in military-style execu-

Another finding of the commis-sion had long been widely suspect-ed — that Archhishop Romero's assassination was ordered by Roberto d'Aubuisson, a founder of Mr. Cristiani's rightist Nationalist Republican Alliance Party who died of cancer last year.

The commission found leftist rebels guilty of "grave human rights ondary information on more than violations" that included killing 18,000 victims.

were among the rights violations and kidnapping civilians, "dissi-that drew international outrage. and kidnapping civilians, "dissi-dents in the rebel movement, maythat drew international outrage.

The UN commission found a ors, judges and unarmed U.S. military personnel." It put the number of "grave vio-

lations" by rebels at 400 killings and 300 disappearances. as defense minister.

General Ponce and others or dered Colonel Guillermo Alfredo at Liberation Front ordered the 1985 killings of four U.S. Marine 1985 killings of an outdoor cafe.

embassy guards at an outdoor cafe. The investigators were unable to establish responsibility for the 1980 slaying of four American churchwomen - three ouns and o Catho-But the report named oumerous

senior officers had ordered the killings -- among them the National Guard director, Colonel Carlos Eugenio Vides Casanova. Five guardsmen who said they

officials who it said were aware that

acted on higher orders were con-victed in the case and sentenced to 30 years in prison. The commission report was writ-ten by former President Belisario Betancur Cuartas of Colombia, former Foreign Minister Reynaldo

Figueredo of Venezuela, and a U.S. imno rights lawyer. Thomas Buergenthal. The commission received testimony from 2,000 sources on the fate of 7,000 victims and got sec-

The reason he is in jail is sm-

pid," she said, "One day when his head was full of thoughts of him

and me, be sold some drugs to an undercover police officer."

A Pakistani woman living in

Saudi Arabia, wrote of her love for

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The reply, Mr. Tamassia said, was simple: She and Omer should

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Of all the letters, Mr. Tamassia

"She is your enemy. Remember,

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shows that you are a lot more silher

2 Convicts Charged In Bombay Bombings.

By Steve Coll Washington Post Service
BOMBAY — The police on

Monday accused two Bombay men with long criminal records of direct involvement in planting several of the dozen large bombs that explod-ed here Friday, claiming at least 225 lives.

The two men were formally charged in the case but escaped in a shoot-out in north Bombay when the police tried to arrest them, said Police Commissioner A.S. Samra.

He said the pair had been identified by witnesses as being among those who checked into three luxury Bombay hotels last Thursday, provided fictitious addresses and theo disappeared from rooms where bombs detonated on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Samra announced other charges and developments in the bombing investigation, some of which hinted at connections to Bombay's notorious organized crime groups.

But the commissioner said his mind remained open about who carried out the terrorist attacks. and he reiterated his conviction that because of the kinds of explo-sives employed, the bombers had received support from outside In-

Since Sunday, the police have found an additional three motor scooters around Bombay loaded with about 40 pounds each of Sem-tex plastic explosives and chemical "pencil timer" delay detonation devices. The scooter bombs failed to go off as scheduled on Friday and have been defused, the police said.

Mr. Samra said a team of American "explosives experts" was on its way to Bombay to exchange infor-mation and examine evidence in the case. He said he did not know wha

S. agencies the experts represented or whether they were examining possible links between Bombay explosions and the recent bombing at the World Trade Center in New York. A U.S. Embassy spokesman in New Delhi declined to comment. The two men accused Monday were identified as Mangesh Pawar,

26. and Piloo Khan, 30. Between them, the two have been arrested or convicted at least 18 times on charges including murder, attempted murder, kidnapping, extortion and narcotics trafficking, a senior police official said.

The police said the men had been

linked to some of Bombay's many crime networks, which dominate this prosperous city's smuggling, land-grabbing, extortion, and narcotics rackets. Bombay's financiers and indus-

trialists, meanwhile, made a start at getting back on track after Friday's destructive bombing at the Bom-bay Stock Exchange. Amid shards of glass, crumbled plaster, and demanded death by stoning or cru-shouts from traders, the exchange its badly damaged headquarters on Dalal Street, India's financial cen-

Thousands of Nigerian commuters were stranded in Lagos on Monday as most of the main big-city buses disappeared from the streets because their owners had failed to make them roadworthy by a police deadline. After three accidents involving the buses last mooth in which more than 50 people died, the police ordered all "molue" bus companies to repair their vehicles by March 15. Trade Center's Luxury Hotel To Be Closed to Midsummer

NEW YORK - The New York Vista Hotel, a luxury hotel whose underground floors were devastated by the bombing at the World Trade Center, will be closed until at least midsummer, according to Port Authority officials.

While construction crews worked to shore up the hotel's damaged basement, investigators continued to search for three more suspects in the Feb. 26 bombing. The bombing killed five people, injured more than a 1,000 and crippled the center's two towers.

The explosion caused the collapse of several floors beneath the hotel that housed vital mechanical systems, said Charles Maikish,

the trade center's director. There's no physical damage to the Vista, but we need to shore up "There's no physical damage to the vista, but we need to shore up the mechanical areas below it, including an elevator pit," he said. The hotel has laid off 550 workers since the blast, said Elisabeth Elman, spokeswoman for Hilton International, which manages the Vista under a 30-year contract with the Port Authority. With cranes and small bulldozers, workers continued in frigid weather Sunday to hanl tons of debris from the crater created by a blast. Sanshare found a body in the rubble Monday. It was not

blast. Searchers found a body in the rubble Monday. It was not immediately identified, but trained dogs had been sent into the blast area eight times during the weekend searching for Wilfredo Mercado, an employee of the Vista Hotel missing since the explosion.

In the World Trade Center, the main concourse that links the two towers will reopen Tuesday, Mr. Maikish said. The towers will open by April 1, officials said. (NYT, AP)

Policeman Sentenced to Die For Sex Orgies in Morocco

RABAT, Morocco — A senior Moroccan police officer who con-fessed to having had sex with more than 1,600 women in three years of debanchery was sentenced to death by a Casablanca court on Monday for sexual violence.

Chief Police Commissioner Haj Mohammed Mustapha Tabet, 54, was convicted of rape, depriving women of their virginity, abduc-tion, inciting debauchery, violence and assault while holding sex orgies in a flat he kept for the purpose.

Opposition newspapers said Mr. Tubet had been allowed to act with impunity by authorities who knew what he was doing. Human rights reopened in a temporary section of squad, which is the usual method

The prosecutor, Nourredine Rishi, told the court that Mr. Ta-

and five children, was a "criminal machine" and said that "if there was a more severe punishment the public prosecutor would have de-manded it."

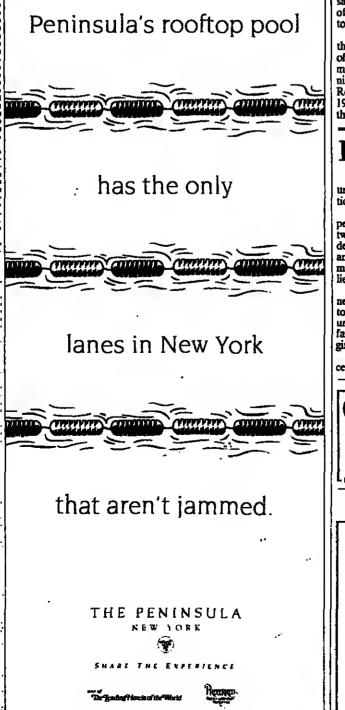
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Prosecutors showed the court 118 pornographic videos of Mr. Ta-bet and his friends having sex with 518 women and girls over a period of three years.

Mr. Tabet, who has 10 days to appeal, filmed the orgies with two remote-controlled cameras hidden in his flat and kept a numbered list

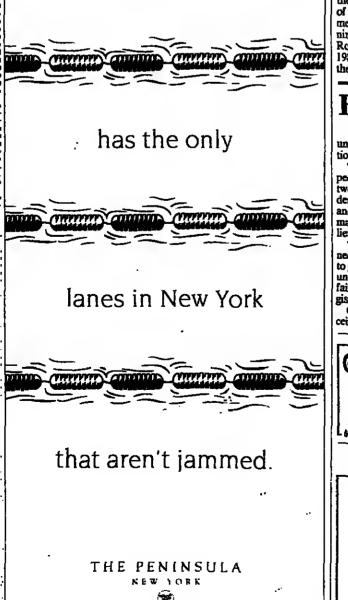
of his sex partners on a computer. Mr. Tabet picked up women in the street and bought them sweets before taking them to his flat, lawyers said. In several cases he de-manded sex in return for issuing passports or other official doct-

The court awarded dams 18 plaintiffs ranging from 30,000 to 150,000 dirhams (\$3,250 to bet, who is married with two wives \$16,200).



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ROMEO: In His Hometown, Love Still Goes Awry

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tion and replies. "The writers are often lonely people," said Laura Zanitti, one of two Italians who, along with students from Mexico, Japan, China and Georgia, read the heroine's mail and sign their replies as "Juliet's secretary."

"We ask ourselves: What do they need?" Miss Zanitti said. "We try to give a personal answer and try to understand the sender." When that fails, they consult a local psychologist for advice.

Of the 2,000 letters the club received last year - seeking advice.

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declaring love — 600 were from grim: she was two months pregintally, and the rest from all around mant, she said, and her boyfriend, Tony, "the leader of a big gang," is in jail. the world. Four-lifths are from women troubled by a Romeo they have already met; some of the rest are from men who cannot find a Juliet at all. None, so far. have been Some leave the impression that the writers are not quite sure

whether the Capulets and the Montagues are extinct or not.

How did Romeo keep up the two generations. "What should I do?" she asked. "I am torn between you didn't have elastic?" asked a do?" she asked. "I am torn between group of schoolchildreo from my love for my family, who have Ropes, Texas. "Didn't the knees get baggy?"

Others recount stories reminiscent of the medieval Italian saga that scholars believe inspired Shakespeare. "We seem to have something in common; we have fallen in love

with men our fathers do not apsaid, only around 5 percent are ad-dressed to Romeo, and they do not All the Trad. Jewish spec.

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Wrote from Chicago. Her tale was always have the silver-sweet sonno of lovers' voices. "Why are you going to kill yourself for a Capu-let?" an 18-year-old university stuent from Amman, Jordan, wrote to Romeo from a region steeped intractable divisions.

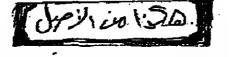
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3 Sri Lanka Police Killed

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COLOMBO — Tamil separatists ambushed a police patrol in north-west Sri Lanka on Monday, killing three policemen, military authori-ties said. The patrol was searching for rebel mines when it was attacked, the military said.



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Where Does the Money Go When It's Over?

WASHINGTON - Stephen J. Solarz used \$250 of his leftover campaign funds to pay parking tickets. After Edward R. Madigan left the House to become secretary of agriculture he spent \$1,152 for a home secretary of agriculture he spent \$1,152 for a home security system. And \$400 from Dennis M. Hertel's fund went for House gym dues.

Recently retired members of the House of Representatives spend their leftover campaign contributions on everything from the ballet to football tickets, a survey shows. But they're also giving generously to charities and political candidates.

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Much of the leftover campaign money, however, has yet to be spent. Former members are sitting on \$11.8 million, it was found in the federal campaign reports of 111 members whose House terms ended with the just-finished 102d Congress. Among the expenditures:

 Marty Russo, former Democratic member from Illinois, made out checks for \$1,550 and \$3,270 to the Tournament Players Club, where a major golf tournament is held near Washington each year.

• Carl D. Pursell, a Michigan Republican, gave \$15,000 for a nursing research fund and \$5,000 each to the Salvation Army and the

Kiwanis and Rotary foundations of Plymouth, Michigan.

Chalmers P. Wylie, an Ohio Republican, transferred his remaining \$59,549 to a community service fund in his name. Edward F. Feighan, Democrat of Ohio, paid \$240 for Cleveland Ballet "nickets-events."

Mr. Solarz, a New York Democrat, paid \$250 in parking fickets, had legal bills of \$197,000, handed back \$72,370 in contribution refunds and gave \$3,000 to other candidates.

◆ The security system bought by Mr. Madigan was only a fraction of nearly \$517,000 still in his account —money that will be put in a eharitable trust," the Illinois Republican said. In December 1990, the Federal Election Commission split 3-3 along partisan lines on whether spending not directly related to a campaign violates federal law. Democrats on the commission said it was a violation. Republicans said it was not.

Why Cisneros is Planning to 'Reinvent HUD'

WASHINGTON - Henry G. Cisneros has been walking the halls, and he does not like what he sees. The secretary of housing and urban development earned his Ph.D. in public administration from George Washington University. He says he knows "internalization of subgoals" when he sees it.

What he means is that many HUD workers are so busy attending meetings, checking forms and enforcing obscure regulations that they have lost track of their real goal; housing for those who need it.

"This is an Alice in Wonderland world," he said. "No human being could ever consciously create something this gridlocked and

He has tempered such criticism with praise for some individual civil servants. He even took one, Michael Janis, who oversees the

nation's public-housing programs, to meet the president.

But just as President Bill Clinton has talked about "reinventing government," Mr. Cisneros says he plans to "reinvent HUD." He has asked his planning staff to help him write a new statement of purpose, with measurable goals.

Quote-Unquote

Defense Secretary Les Aspin, defending the administration's plan to close several U.S. military bases: "We are downsizing in the way many major corporations are. Just as they are eliminating overhead and closing unneeded plants, so we are eliminating overhead and-

Being There: The Vice President as Clinton's Silent Point Man

By Ann Devroy Washington Past Service

HOUSTON - Vice President Al Gore, in Texas last week in a traditional vice presidential role — campaigning for a can-didate — sported a scholarly volume on the vice presidency and read aloud his favorite job description, written by Woodrow Wilson s vice president.

A vice president. Mr. Gore quoted Thomas R. Marshall as saying, is like a "man in a cataleptic fit: He cannot speak. he cannot move. He suffers no pain. He is perfectly conscious of all that goes on. But he has no part in it."

The description seems to fit somewhat the Al Gore who frequently appears glaed to the side of President Bill Chinon during major speeches, news conferences and an-nouncements. He does not speak. He hardly moves. He is just there, frozen.

The comedian Jay Leno joked the other day, "I tell you, if there was an energy tax office for what one described as "a really

on people, Gore would be getting a re- important fax" for Mr. Gore. What ministration in a departure from the last and "generally agrees" with the consensus

But Mr. Gore's early performance suggests that he is assuming the traditional vice presidential role of giver-of-advice, political fund-raiser and point man on eh-profile short-term assignments.

He also is showing some early signs of going beyond being a pro forms adviser. He is being taken seriously by the president not only in Mr. Gore's pet areas of the environment and high technology but also as a more experienced hand on the workings of Washington and on the complex-ties of some foreign-policy issues.

A revealing glimpse of his role as adviser occurred as Mr. Gore — in Texas partly to campaign for Senator Bob Krueger, who faces a special election in seven weeks finished a tour of a Head Start preschool center and prepared for a series of fund-

Aides impatiently waited in the school

of a Clinton speech to be given the next day that the president wanted the vice president to review.

Clinton aides say Mr. Gete reviews and offers suggestions for many of the president's speeches, a reversal of the Bush years, during which the White House reviewed Vice President Dan Quavle's speeches to ensure they avoided political and policy mine fields.

But no one suggested that President George Bush wanted Mr. Quayle's input on his speeches. Mr. Clinton's communications director, George Stephanopoulos, said. "The vice president isn't clearing the president's speeches, obviously, but the president truly does want him to look at them and give him his advice."

There is anecdotal evidence, at least, of Mr. Gore's integration into the policymaking process. His aides hold key environmental and technology posts in the ad-

ber of the "deputies" committee, which is advisers to presidents and take on special cy panel.

Mr. Gore's arguments in favor of high technology and environmental spending were recounted without rancor by White House aides describing budget delibera-tions. He is given credit for \$1 billion in new technology initiatives in the four-year Clinion spending package. He won the argument for \$100 million in funding for a supercomputer network. He backed hasing the new energy tax on the heat content of the fuel, calling it the most environmentally sound approach.

"He believes in certain things," an administration official said. "He made his case. He won more than he lost."

Mr. Gore said that he had studied politi-

charmed out of the machine were the pages 12 years, the vice president's national security aide — Leon Fuerth — is a full mem-responsibility but rather should be general the government's key working foreign-poli-assignments for projects presidents want to

Earlier this month, Mr. Gore was named tonal to head the "reinventing government" review that will spend six months examining each department and agency for ways to all illcut spending, improve service and offer taxpayers more efficiency. The White House already has announced that the vice teeds president will be its point man on new sair e technology and environmental policy because of his interest in those issues.

Sitting aboard the plane that will be his for four years. Mr. Gore is a different man from the one comedians joke cannot be set Vesent on the usual vice presidential funeral duty because he might be mistaken for the duce corpse. He is witty, unself-conscious and awash with enthusiasm for his various dunerties, particularly in high-tech areas.

Perot Defies the Fade-Away Tradition of Maverick Candidates

WASHINGTON - Font months after his strong maverick showing in the 1992 presidential election, Ross Perot still has the look of a contender.

He is on the road and on the talk shows — and even on Capitol Hill recently — pumping out his popu-list message of fiscal responsibility and government reform; drawing overflow crowds, loud applause and frequent headlines; and keeping up the pressure on President Bill Clinton and Congress, especially over the federal deficit.

He is aggressively seeking members for United We Stand America, the grass-roots organization he put together during the eampaign. though he will not say how many have signed up or just what he plans to do with the organization.

Polls indicate that voters now view him even more favorably than last November, when he captured one of every five votes, the most by an independent or third-party candidate since Theodore Roosevelt took 30 percent as the "Bull Moose" candidate in 1912.

. "Our strength is in our numbers!" he cries out in his reedy

By B. Drummond Ayres Jr.

New York Times Service

Texas twang as he crisscrosses the Nut it is far from clear what Mr. Country in his private jet.

But it is far from clear what Mr. Perot ultimately has in mind: An-Independent or maverick presidential challengers usually fade af- tion of a third political party? Or

> lackson and, before him, George C. Wallace, the former Alabama governor, Mr. Perot is clearly not end, he made seven stops in Califading. And he starts from a much fornia. broader base of support than either

both parties have been surprised by San Francisco suburb of Pittsburg. his staying power.

"It turns out he's more than just an 'anti' vote," said Geoffrey Garin, a Democratie poll taker. people who genuinely have conchided that they no longer can be-lieve in conventional politicians."

Perot ultimately has in mind: Another presidential run? The formater a bright burn in a single election. But like the Reverend Jesse himself?

> Every weekend, he schedules visits to a new state or two. This week-

Geoff Wieczynski, a 27-year-old of them did.

Many political professionals of computer programmer from the was in the crowd of more than 2,000 who turned out to see him at Concord, just east of San Francisco. "I'm cautiously optimistic that "He has the support of a lot of he'll offer an alternative to the twozynski, who voted for Mr. Perot.

On March 6 and 7, Mr. Perot was ternal Revenue Service, it does not

week before it was his native Texas and, before that. Florida and bankroll the organization out of his

Mr. Perot will give few details about the membership in United We Stand America and long-term goals of the new organization, saving only that he wants to use it to \$60 million of his own money in his bring pressure at all levels of U.S. presidential campaign. politics, even down to school board

"When we peak. I'll give figures and talk more." he promises, but it is all but impossible to find our more until then. Since he is not an official candidate for anything, no campaign reporting requirements apply, and because his group retains an "education organization" classification in the eyes of the In-

in Colorado and New Mexico. The have to make public its records. of prime time on NBC television In the meantime, he says, he will electronic town hall." own great wealth and let the mem-

> not doubted, since he used some ministration, contrary to campaign His aides, who also say they provide no membership or money fig-ures. say he has ordered and dis-

bership fees pile up in a bank. He

tributed 2 million membership forms | they ask for \$15, name, address and age) and has hired half a dozen professional political organizers to work around the country. To further promote his brand of

At the White House, they sense political danger. Mr. Clinton has made at least one phone call to Mr. will not say how much he has spent. Perot in an effort to soften the but his willingness to spend a lot is Texan's assertions that the new ad-

promises, is more interested in increasing taxes and spending than in cutting programs, the bureaucracy and the deficit. The president also has sent at least one—ace envoy. Treasury Secretary LL, d Bentsen.

But Mr. Perot has not backed off, and now some parts of Mr Clinton's speeches are beginning to sound like Ross Perot clones. These days, the president talks almost as much as Mr. Perot about program politics and his new organization, Mr. Perot has bought half an hour cruts, bureaucratic bloat and government waste.

An agent standing guard at the federal command post near Waco.

Away From Politics

 After receiving an air-driven artificial heart, a Phoenix, Arizona. man was in critical but stable condition in what was the second such implant this year, officials said. Gaylord Booth, 48, received the artificial heart during a four-hour operation in Tucson on Saturday. Last fall, the government approved experimental use of the Car-dioWest heart in a controlled study at several transplant centers but said the device could only be used as a "bridge" to stabilize patients until a human heart could be transplanted.

• To prevent a repeat of last year's deadly Los Angeles riots, most of the city's policemen will be on the streets when verdicts in the latest Rodney King beating trial are announced. Chief Willie Williams said. The federal trial of the four policemen was to enter its fourth week Monday. Prosecutors were expected to rest their case early in the week, with defense testimony taking another four weeks.

• A minor earthquake rattled suburhan Baltimore on Sunday, the third such tremor in less than a week. There were no reports of injury or damage. The quake was centered about 15 miles (24 kilometers) southwest of Baltimore and measured 2.7 on the Richter scale. • A group of people discharged from the military for being gay

oationwide tour to rally support for homosexuals in the military. Sponsors said the trip was expected to cover 32 cities in 24 states, ending with a march in Washington.

• The abortion clinic where a doctor was shot to death last week reopened Monday to take appointments for abortions later in the week. The Pensacola Women's Medical Services clinic had been closed since Wednesday, when Dr. David Gunn was shot three times in the back as he arrived. An official said abornous would resume with a doctor who offered his services on a temporary basis. She would not identify the doctor and said a permanent replacement was

Surrender Is Weighed By Some in **Waco Cult**

By Kobert Kemmold

New York Times Service WACO, Texas - The federal siege against a heavily armed religious sect has entered its third week amid signs of weakening resolve among the 105 remaining cult

FBI negotiators said Sunday that a number of members of the Branch Davidian sect had asked for details about the judicial process and what charges they might face upon surrender. It was "a favorable sign," said Bob A. Ricks. the bureau spokesman in Waco.

ft was difficult to determine pre-

cisely what was happening in the compound because federal authorinies have cut off outside lines and prevented the four adults who have come out from speaking with re-

The chief source of information has been a daily news briefing by spokesmen for the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, which conducted a Feb. 28 raid on the sect to try to arrest the cult's leader, David Koresh, on

illegal-weapons charges.

Mr. Ricks said Sunday that members of the sect, a renegad offshoot of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, apparently now want to be known as Koreshians.

Sunday afternoon, sect members displayed a banner reading. "FBI broke negotiations. We want press." It was unclear what prompted the message. On Saturday, three cult members

were said to be ready to give up, but they have not yet surrendered. Nor is there any indication that Mr. Koresh has softened his stance against surrender. Mr. Ricks said cult members

were told they would be held as material witnesses after surrender-ing, until investigators could sort ont who was responsible for the deaths of four federal agents in the shoot-out.

"What we are facing is a very difficult situation where fire was indiscriminately coming out of the compound," Mr. Ricks said.

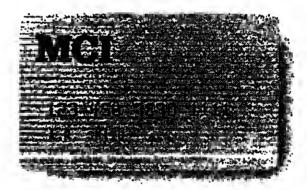
Federal officials declined to specify possible criminal charges against the sect members. But local prosecutors have cited a variety of potential state and federal charges. including murder.

"It's left to the imagination they've committed all sorts of weapons crimes," said Charles Rosenthal, an assistant county district attorney in Houston, who is not involved in the Waco case.

He said both state and federal governments could prosecute for assault on peace officers. In Texas, the death penalty can be sought for the murder of more than one person in the same episode or for the killing of an officer executing his

From my own standpoint, this is a death penalty case." Mr. Ro-

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Keep Pressing Syria

As Syria emerges as a far ored partner in a U.S.-sponsored Middle East peace negotiation, its human rights record has to be factored in. A useful text is "Scientists and Human Rights in Syria," a new report by the National Academy of Sciences. Syria may have the highest number of scientists detained for political reasons in the world. Its prison population has been described as "a who's who of the nation's professional elite."

In addition to the buman toll, the detention of hundreds of engineers, doctors and professors for seeking human rights re-form and political liberalization bas hurt the Syrian economy. A letter in which President Hafez Assad requested good treatment for some prisoners "appears to demonstrate the president's awareness that torture and ill-treatment are meted out to most political prisoners as a matter of course unless he intervenes."

Yet Mr. Assad now enjoys a reputation among attentive Israelis as well as Americans for geopolitical shrewdness, and more. The degree of personal power that makes him a menace to his people is widely taken as evidence of his reliability as an international actor - he negotiates hard but then delivers what be promises.

It is suggested, moreover, that the world is dealing with something of a new Assad. The collapse of East European personal dictator-ships like his own may have imparted a welcome sense of political mortality. From the demise of the Soviet Union, long a patron of Damascus, he may have concluded he can no longer aspire to Kremlin-aided "parity" with Israel as a platform for negotiation, and instead must cultivate the United States. Yet plainly his human rights violations, support for terrorism and the rest keep a relationship with Washington from blossoming.

Mr. Assad's cruelty may have a method.

He may grasp better than any of his critics how essential repression is to his rule. But he needs the United States to get back his territory. This gives the Clinton administration the opening, which it seems to be using, to bring up the human rights agenda "on - in an up-front way that does nnt directly link political progress to human rights progress but that also does not invite the Syrians to dismiss U.S. concern.

Americans do not want to wait for a peace settlement until a Syrian Thomas Jefferson takes over, but they cannot overlook Mr. Assad's appalling record at home.

— THE WASHINGTON POST.

America's Excess Arms

The Pentagon's mottn after the Cold War could well be: Nothing exceeds like excess. If it were up to General Colin Powell and his colleagues in the armed services, they would keep it that way. General Powell has criticized Defense Secretary Les Aspin for trying to match U.S. forces to plausible threats. Mr. Aspin's threat-based force would cut the Pentagon budget from \$298 billion to \$265 billion by 1996. His own reasoning, however, would allow him to make even larger cuts, Even after Mr. Aspin finishes cutting, the U.S. arsenal will still enjoy a big advantage.

The issue is not whether the world is a dangerous place. It is. The issue is nnt whether planners can predict precisely where and when future threats will emerge. They cannot But it is clear that no new threat, or combination of threats, can measure up to the old Soviet menace.

Even with all the unknowns, there are reliable techniques for "sizing" forces -America's and any potential enemy's. Such scoring techniques have long been used to assess America's relative strength. They allow planners to compare, say, an Iraqi armored division to an American one or the

U.S. Air Force to someone else's. The military liked these methods when they showed the need for a buildup to match Soviet forces. Now they suggest just how much further America's arsenal can be reduced without jeopardizing security. Tanks are an example. After Mr. Aspiti's Pentagon reductions, the United States will

still bave 7,800 tanks. Using a jawbreaking methodology known as "Technique for Assessing Comparative Force Modernization," or TASCFORM, planners bave calculated that America has 12 times the tank capability of Iraq or Lihya or Nnrth Korea and five times that of China.

That is partly a matter of sheer numbers; America has more. It is partly a matter of quality: potential troublemakers rely large-ly on old Soviet models that modern U.S. forces can outmaneuver and outgun.

Russia's tank armies are larger, but they are divided between Europe and Asia, and not easily transported from nne theater to the other. The United States can throw 20 percent more tanks, with 60 percent more capability, into the European theater than Russia can. And these figures ignore the robust capability of the NATO allies.

Air power? Control of the skies is critical in today's wars, as the Gulf rout showed. Yet even after previously announced cuts, U.S. fighter planes bave 24 times the capability of Iraq's, 22 times those of North Korea and about five times those of China.

Sea power? America's overwhelming superiority would permit it to mothball most of its submarines and at least four of its carrier task forces while forgoing modernization for a decade or more.

In sbort, Pentagon spending has yet to reflect the fact that only the Lilliputians are left. Dangerous, but outgunned. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Keep NAFTA on Track

and Canada is still likely to pass, a fierce struggle bas broken out over the supplemental assurances promised by President Bill Clinton. He will not reopen the text that President George Bush signed, be says. But he won't send it to Congress until he has worked out additional agreements with the Mexicans addressing some of the objections coming from the two main centers of opposition — labor unions and their

allies in the environmental movement. The negotiations on these side agreements begin on Wednesday. When you hear a congressman say with concern that the North American Free Trade Agreement is in deep trouble and the votes aren't there, you are

listening to bargaining over the side deals. This scramble in Washington drew a growl the other day from Mexico City, where President Carlos Salinas de Gortari warned that he would not accept any "protectionist mechanisms" tied to NAFTA. Some of the environmental lobbyists, lor example, have been talking up n special tariff on goods crossing the border to pay for such expensive infrastructure as sewer and water plants. It is a nutty idea that would put U.S. goods entering Mexico at a disadvantage compared with those coming in from Asia.

There is a dilemma here for the environmental perfectionists. NAFTA is their best - and only - hope for better enforcement of the air and water rules in Mexico. If they ficed their only lever for better cooperation. Labor faces a similar choice. While the

trade agreement can bring some real improvement to Mexican labor, there are limits. If the standards are set too high, Mexican products will simply be pushed aside in the American market by their competitors from Southeast Asia, where wages are lower than in Mexico and working conditions worse. For a lot of unions, NAFTA has become the ultimate enemy - the embodiment of all the deep economic forces, many having nothing to do with trade, that for two decades have depressed the wages of unskilled and semiskilled U.S. workers.

But a better remedy for these people is the job training and adjustment legislation that the Labor Department is now beginning to draft. The administration's strategy is to send it to Congress next summer hand-inhand with NAFTA. That is the right principle: to keep widening trade for the benefit of everybody, but to acknowledge an obligation to the people who get hurt in the process. -THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

Italy: Disease and Cure

At the heart of Italy's moral crisis is a form of corruption all too familiar: the private contractor's kickback for a contract from a public agency. As Italians are finding out. however, this is not a cancer on the system, it is the system. It is what bas governed since World War II, revived the ecnnomy, brought prosperity, kept the Communists out of power and provided continuity in public life. The question is whether the cure is worse

than the disease. Italy is grinding in a halt. Several cabinet ministers are out. One-fourth of the members of Parliament are under suspicion. Almost no contracts are being awarded. Many local governments have ceased. High executives of prestigious firms are under arrest.

The old notion was that there was some corruption in the Christian Democratic Party and organized crime in the south. A small investigation of a kickback at an old people's home in Milan, a year ago, destroyed complacency. Most established po-

litical parties are implicated, including the Communists. Corruption cases are proceeding in 21 cities. Government ministers have resigned. The long-time boss of the Socialist Party, Bettino Craxi, faces 50 charges. High officials of the auto giant Fiat are under arrest. Suspects have committed suicide. The prestigious reformer Giorgio la Malfa quit as head of the Republican Party under a cloud for party finances.

Prime Minister Giuliano Amato kept his

shaky coalition alive in last week's confidence vote. Italians face a referendum in the spring on drastic electoral changes. A new semiseparatist party commands the most support in the prosperous north. Maverick Christian Democrats are making waves against the Malia in the south. A few Milan magistrates are behind "Operation Clean Hands" and probably enjoy more public support than the entire political structure. Some of them propose massive amnesties. A stronger Italy will emerge, but there are shocking times ahead.

- The Baltimore Sun.

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Back Yeltsin, Not the Would-Be Putschists

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — Russia faces three options: It can continue to progress, however haltingly, toward democracy and a free market, relapse into some form

of dictatorship or dissolve in anarchy. Contrary to conventional wisdom. the economy has not caused the present crisis: While it is far from satisfactory, nobody is starving and private initiative is beginning to fill the vacuum created by the breakdown of state ownership. There is food in stores. public transport is running, telephones are operating. Life goes oo. Russia's problems have always

al form of government is the democratic collective (which is ludicrous). They are emplating the tactic used in October 1917 by Lenin and Trotsky, who accused Kerensky of dicta-torial ambitions and demanded that

conservative opponents are unlikely in restore full-fledged communism: The system has disintegrated too far for this to be a realistic alternative.

Romanian pattern, which retains the substance of communism under dif-

This would entail restricting politi-

cal and press freedom and introduc-ing the so-called regulated market.

They would probably make use of

And they would resume the arms

No, for two reasons, Most Rus-

have no desire for a dictatorship.

A counterrevolution would im-

race to regain superpower status.
Could they succeed?

The old Communist nomenklatura is trying to recapture power, using the economy as a pretext. They are more likely to follow the

ferent labels.

been first and foremost political and today's predicament is no different. We are witnessing an attempt by the old Communist nomenklatura, or ruling class, to recapture power and the privileges that went with it, while using the parlous state of the econo-

my as a pretext.

Led by an ambitious adventurer, Ruslan Khasbulatov, the chairman of the unrepresentative body called the Congress of People's Deputies, it is trying to gain by parliamentary maneuvering what it failed to acquire by military constraints. military power in August 1991. 11-cleverly conocals a bid for dicta-

torial authority behind claims of the defense of parliamentary democracy. The stratagem bas sown confusion among Western leaders, taught by historical experience to side with parliament against individuals aspiring

to personal power. In this case the conflict does not pit a duly elected legislative against a power-greedy chief executive. It is the president who has been

democratically elected, while the Congress is a largely self-appointed body dating to the Soviet Union. It is Boris Yeltsin who represents the nation. The proof is that the Congress has reneged on its pledge to hold a referendum next month in which, among other things, voters would be asked to decide whether they preferred presidential or parlia-

mentary government.

If Mr. Yeltsin's opponents thought they could win, they would have insisted on such a referendum.

In recent months Russia has had, as in 1917, a dual government in which authority has been exercised independently by the executive and legislature. This situation cannot endure, and that is why the conflict has come to a head,

In the best of all worlds for the conservatives, who are mostly diehard Communists, they would remove Mr. Yeltsin and vest executive power in a parliamentary cabinet.

If pushed they might acquiesce to a ceremonial head of state. Presidential rule, they say, is alien to Russia (which is true) whose traditionBy Richard Pipes

which the putschists, even if initially successful, could not cope.
Mr. Yeltsin is no vacillating Kerensky but a formidable politician, unwilling to be reduced to a figurehead let alone be pushed from power. Ill-

he yield power to the Congress of Soviets, which they had packed with suited to routine administration, im-pulsive and feisty, he is at his best when fighting for his political life. their followers. Dictatorship followed. Should they succeed. Mr. Yelisin's

He has tried to assuage his opponents by numerous concessions, but they have interpreted each concession as a sign of weakness and an excuse to demand more until there is

nothing left to concede.

To build his political base Mr.
Yeltsin has negotiated with moderately conservative groups and made some inroads into their camp. He has made contact with the mili-tary, which bolds the key to any deci-

sive power struggle. He makes no secret that he has been laying the groundwork for the imposition of emergency rule, which would enable him to continue politi-

cal and economic reforms.
His repeated warnings to this effect are no bluff. . If he takes this road, Mr. Yeltsin is much less likely to establish a personal dictatorship, which would make him very vulnerable, than to create a strong

Russian troops deployed in the inde-pendent republics and, in the guise of protecting the Russian minorities and maintaining regional "stability," try to re-establish the empire. executive based on a popular man-date. This he will probably seek through a referendum held in defiance of the Congress in which voters will be asked to approve the presidential form of government, with its strong execusians, judging by opinion polls, even though disappointed by democracy tive, and then convene a constituent assembly to give the country a demoleash social and ethnic turmoil with

He should have taken such measures a year ago, when the memory of the failed August putsch was fresh and the conservative apparatus, paralyzed with fear, lay low.

For Clinton,

A No-Lose

Situation

By Leslie H. Gelb

N EW YORK — President Bill : Clinton has fashioned a no-

lose policy to go the extra mile in aid

and showmanship to "save" Presi-c dent Boris Yeltsin and democracy in

dent Boris Yeltsin and democracy in Russia. If it succeeds, he becomes Saint Bill. If it fails, somebody else has to take the blame — Congress or the allies for too coughing up enough aid, or George Bush for doing practically nothing or the big bad Russians themselves.

No president could resist such a policy. Politically, it is foolproof. Note one will ever be able to tar him with losing Russia. Strategically, it is a

losing Russia. Strategically, it is a probably his best shot. He knows that Western efforts can help only at the

margins. But sometimes great histori-cal scales are upped by a single act of "

courage or one vote or a seemingly fulle outstretched hand.

It will not be easy to sell Congress and the allies on more aid. And facing the course of the c

and the alls, Washington officialdom generally resorts to wrapping its ef-forts in standard foreign policy balo-

ney. Someone else's burden becomes

our burden. Friends are turned into

gods and adversaries into devils. More .

money becomes a substitute for better-

policy, a strategy, a plan.

If Mr. Clinton follows this well-

traveled low road, he will have an easier time collecting donations and a

harder time promoting democracy in Russia. My advice is to break all rules

and precedents — and sell the truth.
First, Mr. Clinton should not try to

pitch his policy as a way for the West to save Russia. It has got to be sold as a means to help the Russians save

themselves.
The Russians have already mas-

tered one of the cardinal principles of democracy: It is easier to wait for miracles than to make tough deci-

sions. Accordingly, they are waiting for the West to rescue them, while

Over and again, Mr. Clinton has to:

remaind everyone that the fate of de-mocracy and free enterprise in Russia depends on the Russians themselves.

Second, Mr. Clinton is right to pro-

mote Boris Yeltsin, but wrong to join

him in a war against the Russian par-liament. This body has not been a reformer's delight, but it is not domi-nated by a bunch of far-right crazies. Mr. Yeltsin looks to be the best het

around for reforming Russia and

tending to Western interests. So, Mr. Cinton is right to back him. The great Russian democrat, however, has made a lot of mistakes and may

not be around much longer. More

likely, he will still be president, but

The Russian parliament will be-come stronger, and while that is not good, it is not terrible either.

About one-lifth of the deputies in

parliament are hard-line national-

shorn of much of his power.

learning the fine art of threatening revolutions to extract more money.

The West's leverage is not formidable. Economic aid, on which some advocates of intervention rely, is not very relevant - no more than it would have been in 1917, because at issue now, as then, is political power,

not the economy.

Even large-scale transfers of capital and food will not save the nascent democracy if the Russian people are not prepared to fight for it.

The most helpful thing the West can do is to throw its full support behind Mr. Yeltsin, for even reaching to

tionary Communists are sensitive to the prospect of international isolation and its economic implications.

It is a welcome sign that after initial hesitation, Washington seems to have realized that the success of democracy in Russia may require resort to methods that in the West would be unacceptable. It should persist in this course and not allow itself to be misled by the outschists professions that they are fighting for the cause of

representative government against a would-be dictator.

Like the Bolsheviks in 1917, they are exploiting populist slogans to cam-ouflage a bid for authoritarian rule. Their success would be fraught with the gravest dangers to their own people and the rest of the world.

The writer, a professor of history at Harvard, is author of "The Russian Revolution." He contributed this comment to The New York Times.



Can Italy Produce a Statesman to Guide It Forth?

ROME - Italian domestic policy has been so boring for half a century that Rome, apart from its splendor, was considered almost a bardship post by foreign correspondents. But suddenly analysts are scrambling to interpret

the new realities. There is a tendency to blame the disaster on the democratic parties - primarily the Christian Democrats, who governed Italy for almost 50 years - and to absolve the Communists, who supposedly could not promote change because, according to a common belief, the United States

would never let the left rule Italy. The CIA, some assert, intervened massively with a clandestine political operation in the 1947 Italian election to keep the Communists out of power. The victory of the right in that election, it is said, put the CIA lastingly in business with the Christian Democrats. As a consequence, the forceful repression of the left, kept in opposition for almost 50 years, has prevented new political

forces from emerging and reforming the state.

To be sure, the CIA bas offered support to Italian anti-Communist parties since World War II, just as American labor groups financed Italian non-Communist trade unions. But even the CIA can have only limited political leverage in a

modern West European society.
The Christian Democrats' overwhelming power in the Parliament, shared with Socialists

WASHINGTON — Imagine how George Bush must feel about

Alan Greenspan.
Throughout the summer and fall,

as the economy struggled in recover,

stuck around 8 percent. Mr. Bush's

claim that economic growth was around the corner rang bollow, and

Mr. Clinton kept gaining on him.

Busb administration officials, led

by then-Treasury Secretary Nicholas

Brady, wanted Mr. Greenspan to

lower rates. They alternated between

privately courting him and publicly criticizing him, but to little avail.

No sooner had Mr. Clinton been

elected than long-term rates began

tumbling, fueling a stronger recovery, and sending consumer confidence, the

stock market, and the president's own

political stock soaring. This despite the fact that Mr. Clinton is behaving

policy, has been fully supportive of the Clinton economic plan. This has

Today, 30-year Treasury bonds are fetching just 6.8 percent and beading

still lower. Mortgages can be had for

bomes, businesses are happily borrow-

ing and investing at lower interest rates; state and municipal govern-

ments are trimming borrowing costs, and even the federal government is

saving on financing the national debt.

Had these surprising conditions ob-

tained last September, Socks would

What gives? Do money markets really prefer liberal Democrats? And

still be in Little Rock with Chelsea.

Amazed consumers are refinancing

belped coax rates downward.

a stunning 7.5 percent

Mr. Greenspan, both in his public testimony and in the Fed's monetary

much like a tax-and-spend liberal.

long-term interest rates remaine

By Enrico Jacchia

and other smaller democratic parties, was not the result of any CIA operation, but of the free choice of the majority of the nation. Having suffered under fascism for 20 years, people feared Communist despotism.

It may be said that one effect of the political immobility of the past is the present situation—though it can be cured. But for almost half a century, Italian governments, by preserving a free market, private property and a substantial degree of capitalism, have achieved Iar more for the people, and particularly the poor, than the Communist left would have done by promoting a state monopoly over the economy and the marvels of Soviet-style planning. Those governments have belped transform a badly underdeveloped society into one of the most advanced industrial countries in the free world.

And now? The great leaders of the past are gone, and a new generation of high-profile politicians has not emerged. The stature of such men as Alcide De Gasperi and Carlo Sforza, the charisma of Ferrucio Parti, the Resistance leader and first head of government after the war, the international weight of Palmiro Togliatti, the Communist leader, are in striking contrast with the performances of the politicians who have followed. Even

Clinton and Greenspan: Story of an Odd Couple

By Robert Kuttner

lowered the interest rate that the gov-

ernment had to offer to find buyers.
The Fed quietly signaled approval
of this strategy. In turn, that suggested to the markets that Mr. Greenspan

was working closely with Mr. Clinton

and reinforced a market psychology

publican loyalists hives. The economist Lawrence Kudlow, a former Rea-

gan budget official and conservative

commentator, recently wrote an over-beated editorial page article in The Wall Street Journal with the lurid title.

Mr. Kudlow concedes that "infla-

tionary pressures are nonexistent,"

which suggests interest rates should

be low. But he admonishes the Fed

not in keep easing rates. He con-cludes with a vague warning that, "We do not yet know whether Green-

span and Co. can again be relied

upon to act as a willing accomplice."

About all supply-siders can do

these days is play dog-in-the-manger.

The fact is that interest rates easily

could have fallen further as long as a

porating after the Gulf War, when

energy costs subsided. Wage pressure

on inflation has been nonexistent for

a decade. In a slow-growth economy,

raw materials prices have stayed low,

and intensified competition has kept

consumer prices stable. Since the late

1980s, despite the large deficits, the

true economic danger has been stag-

nation, not inflation.

Inflationary pressures began eva-

year ago, well before the election.

"The Seduction of the Fed."

This turn of events has given Re-

of lower interest rates.

why did Mr. Greenspan, a conserva-tive Republican and Bush appointee, deliver fur Mr. Clinton and not for

The answer has several parts. First,

For another, Mr. Bush's absolute

resistance to any tax increase pre-cluded the kind of budget deal being

made by Mr. Clinton and the con-

gressional Democrats. The Clinton

budget seems to have persuaded the

money markets that the delicit is at

Fed, in turn, is now doing everything it can to help Mr. Clinton's economic plan succeed. That gives the money

markets further reassurance.

Mr. Greenspan had a basic choice

after Mr. Clinton's election. He could

play spoiler, and continue to run a fairly ught money policy. Or he could conclude that the Clinton package was

about right, and decide to share the

credit for its success. It is now clear

which course he chose, and Mr.

Greenspan can expect reappointment

Of course, the chairman does trot

entirely control the Fed, nor does the

Fed dictate to money markets. But

the Fed can exercise great influence

For example, the Clinton Treasury did a very clever thing in January,

when it began selling fewer 30-year

bonds. That made 30-year bonds

scarcer in the marketplace, which

through the signals it sends.

by a grateful president.

last on a downward course. The budget package similarly reas-sured the Federal Reserve. And the

Mr. Bush and Mr. Brady did a clumsy job enlisting Mr. Greenspan's help, whereas Mr. Clinton has courted the

Mr. Bush?

chairman deftly.

being investigated on financial charges, is a giant, in political terms, compared to the mediocre politicians who seek to grab a share of the reduced power the Socialist Party still commands.

The real reason corruption has reached its present level in Italy is not the impossibility of political change. It must not be forgotten that the Communists, too, profited quite well under the prevailing rules. They had a fair share of the revenue from corruption, particularly in the cities they governed.

The reason for today's pervasive corruption is the huge growth of political party organization. Nothing similar exists in other West European countries. Even small parties have beavily staffed regional, provincial and local headquarters. These people have to be paid; their political

work is a job for life. And this demands evergrowing financial resources. Billions of dollars (an estimated \$150 billion has been channeled into political party treasuries, or to party leaders, in the past 10 years) had to be found yearly, mainly through corruption in public works contracts.

While the traditional political parties will be forced to sharply reduce the space they occupy in society, no high-profile leaders are yet in sight to guide the nation out of its present turmoil. So what is the safest prediction for now? None at all. International Herald Tribune

deal and re-election.

and the Democrats.

Bettino Craxi, the former prime minister now

ists. A roughly equal number are Yeltsin loyalists. The diverse center group stretches from conservatives to industrial managers to former Yehsin backers. A solid majority of this parliament would pursue reforms more slowly than Mr. Yeltsin, but would not dream of reverting to communism. It would be far less friendly to the Unit-

ed States, but not anti-American. Clinton officials should not be burning bridges with this power-tobe. But that is exactly what they did Friday in saying they would not op-pose Mr. Yeltsin if he moved to sus-

pend the parliament. Third, Mr. Clinton should not focus his new effort on getting more money for Russia, at least not right now. He should emphasize better ways to spend aid and help the Rus-

sians reform themselves. Throwing money at a trillion-dollar economy that is sinking in political anarchy, waste and corruption is not a brilliant idea. Russian bureau-

crats cannot even get themselves organized to spend most of the billions the West has already promised them. Of the \$800 million earmarked by the United States to help the Rus sians and others dismantle nuclear weapons, only \$25 million has been disbursed. Why? The Russians do not want to denuke so quickly. This kind

of problem has become typical.

Before the Russians need more money from the West, they need a sensible plan that gives them incentives to fix themselves up. As of now, the West and Russia have not begun to develop such a plan.

So, Mr. Clinton, embrace Mr. Yeltsin in Vancouver for what it's worth. But spare us another worldwide begging session to save democracy in Russia until you have an overall strategy that makes sense - especially to the Russians.

The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: An Ulster Anthem LONDON - "For Union and for

deal with the Fed and the money

markets any time he wanted. But in-

stead be let his ideological aversion to

taxing the rich deny him a budget

As Messrs. Bush and Brady, in

forced retirement from public life, pay higher taxes on their higher pri-

vate-sector incomes, they can be con-soled with those nice low interest

rates - courtesy of Alan Greenspan

Washington Post Writers Group.

Queen," the new patriotic song writ-ten by Licutenant-Colonel Dudley Samsson, and composed by Lady Ar-thur Hill, will probably be heard in more than one London music-hall soon. The idea of both writer and composer has been to encourage large audiences to join in the refrain: "No Home Rule shall bind us, but traitors ever find us, with thousands more behind us, for Union and for Queen!" It will be sung first at Ulster Hall when Lord Salisbury addresses the loyal people of Belfast.

1918: Special War Hero

NEW YORK - Mr. Theodore Roosevelt was informed yesterday [March 14] by telephone that his son, Captain Archibald Roosevelt, had been wounded by shrapnel, but not badly. The ex-President replied: "I In sum, Mr. Bush could have had a am as proud of my four boys as any

not killed, everything is all right." A few minutes later Mr. Roosevelt heard for the first time that his son Archie had been decorated with the Croix de Guerre. "By George." he replied, "that's fine. I am immensely excited and delighted."

1943: Russia Draws Back

LONDON -- [From our New York edition: The Russians announced officially tonight [March 15] that the Red Army, after days of fierce fighting had evacuated Kharkov, the rail hub of all Southern Russia, and both German and Russian dispatches indicated that a powerful Nazi counteroffensive still was being pressed on a broad front from Kursk to the Middle Donets, north and south of Kharkov. The Russians admitted withdrawal from the great industrial city of Kharkov, twenty-four hours after the Germans had told of its recapture in a counter-offensive which has rolled back the Russians on a buge deficit reduction/low interest rate man could be. As long as Archie is are in Southern Russia.

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Watch the Czechs' Bold Redeemer

PRAGUE—The drama is classic: A courageous, charismatic dissident rallies the people behind him to reject the old regime, he brings in an ally to get in the world," he says. "And what help him handle the reins of power; the we are doing here with our voucher deems the revolution.

In Russia, that drama is being played out toward betrayal, as the leader of the rump parliament seeks to strip President Boris Yeltsin of the power he legitimately derived from the people in an election. Ruslan Khasbulatov, the chairman of the Congress of People's Deputies, though disavowed by his separatist home constituency, is reaching for Kremlin control.

In the Czech Republic, the other scenario is also in Act 2. Vaclav Havel, the jailed playwright who became president, hrought in an American-trained economist who became prime minister. While In Havel remains a prickly moral force and Western favorile, this legislative leader, Vaclav Klaus, is in effective control, trying to turn a revolutionary dream into practical government.

Everything in the post-Communist world is learned by doing," says Mr. Klaus. "Our main enemies were not the Communist apparatchiks. Our main enemies were the Western consultants, the investment bankers, the swarm of advisers who told us what we could not do." He likes to deride their "soft ad-

vice for hard currency."

Mr. Klaus, an opinionated former academic — "I have been a politician for only three years and three months' makes no effort to conceal his cockiness. "We have the only halanced hud- finance new ventures.

By William Safire

trusted ally then either betrays or resystem will be the subject of doctoral dissertations for decades to come."

For the price of about a week's salary, Czechs had a chance to buy a book of vouchers, which were a sort of warrant to receive stock in companies that were being privatized. Most Czechs were slow to act until some hotshot mutual fund salesmen took up the government's idea and promised buyers big profits; the salesmen have since been restrained, but

the whilf of greed did the trick.
"Everybody decided to participate in this special game," boasts Mr. Klaus, who when met with a skeptical look is inclined toward hyperbole. There is no comparison in the history of mankind. There was not enough capital in the hands of people. We wanted to augment our capital without selling our country to the rest of the world."

For example, the state tobacco monopoly sold a large chunk of its equity to Philip Morris Cos. of the United States. Other shares in the same company will be offered in return for vouchers held by the Czech public; ordinary Czechs may soon be able to enrich themselves by ruining each other's lungs as Americans have done for years.

Is the plunge into capitalism working? Too soon to tell: The shares are being distributed in waves over coming months, and nobody knows how much of the capital generated will be reused to

Major privatization here has lagged behind Poland and Hungary, hut that may be because most Polish larmers always owned their land and Hungarians long mixed Communist borscht

with free-style goulash. Mr. Klaus mutters darkly about "the Polish and Hungarian lobbies at The New York Times and Washington Post," hut he admires Poland's Hanna Suchocka, like himself a prime minister who holds down deficits while a revolutionary leader gets Western adulation.

Mr. Klaus's test will come this year. Uncomployment is 2 percent, "which Milton Friedman would say is below its natural level." As government dinosaurs go private, unemployment is expected to rise rapidly. Then the Czech reformer will feel a little of the heat Boris Yeltsin's reformers are feeling in Russia.

Here's the difference: "You need po-

litical backing," says Mr. Klaus, "To get this, a democratic leader has to have, first, a positive vision - it's not enough to be against communism. Second, you need a pragmatic reform strategy. Third, you must create a consensus behind change - that's why I created a political party, to create social cohesion in a ume of turmoil."

The Czech Republic, divorced from a Slovakia still afflicted by socialist inertia, will surely work its way into the European market. The higger question is whether Mr. Yelsin can create a political party in Russia to provide enough social cohesion to resist his revolution's betrayers. What he needs to find is a Russian Vaclay Klaus. The New York Times.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

East Europeans' Hopes

Having lived in Eastern Europe for the past three and a half years, I was surprised by William Safire's shortsighted opinion column "Fingering the Villains in the East" (March 12). He visited Budapest, apparently witnessed a pickpocketing and concluded that East Europeans have "a yearning for the old orderly repression."

But I can assure you that East Europeans do still remember gulags, KGB interrogations and more. To think that they yearn for a return to all of that is simply false. What they do want is the same as the rest of us — a little law and

order in a democratic framework. The neo-Stalinist creeping putsch in Russia, hy the way, is the work of disgruntled KGB, army and industrial leaders. It has virtually no popular support among people under age 50.

The movement against the August 1991 putsch put 300,000 people in the streets of Moscow overnight ready to die for freedom. All the neo-Stalinists can muster are a few old people banging pots and pans.

GUY McCRACKEN. St. Petershurg.

America Can Do the Job

Regarding "America Plus Russia Plus NATO Allies" by Jim Hoagland and "Ac-tion to Holt Genocide in Bosnia Isn't Optional" by Leslie H. Gelb (March 1):

Mr. Hoagland talks of "warring Serbs, Bosnians and Croats," as though aggressor and aggressed were equally to blame. Then he talks of the new "muscle" that Russian cooperation would bring to

NATO and/or UN intervention.

But what counts is will, not muscle. Where will the Russians, whose sympathies for the Serbs are becoming more, not less, overt, find the will to crack down on their Orthodox fellows? And where will the United Nations, that spineless bureaucracy, find the will to tame the Yugoslav tiger? After all, Desert Storm

Yugoslav bger? Arter an, Deart stant succeeded to the extent that it did thanks to George Bush and failed, where it failed, thanks to the United Nations.

Mr. Gelb, on the other hand, in his principled and courageous appeal for U.S. military aid for Bosnia, brings the ball was the courage of the courage o whole Yugoslav situation into perspective. He fits all the obstacles and dangers into his equation, but rightly gives priority to the necessity of standing up to the

Serbian hully. In doing so, we Americans would be true to our proudest heritage. JOAN BERNARD. Vernouillet, France.

Doctors, Duty and Death

Regarding the opinion column "The Doctor Shouldn't Be a Killer" (March 2) by Walter Reich:

The author fixates on the concept of killing - and misses the point. The physician is not engaged in killing, but in helping the panent carry out a reasoned choice.

In Mr. Reich's view, the patient is bereft of options. Doctors are indeed sworn to preserve life but not at the expense of the patient, using him as a guinea pig in a life-extending exercise. In the end the patient's life is his own, not the medical profession's. And he has every right to ask for help in ending it-when he feels the pain of living is beyoud his endurance. A humane doctor should feel bound to honor that wish, PETER BENZONI.

a world where everyone seems to be shooting at somebody. As a 64-year-old suffering from four collapsed vertebrae due to osteoporosis. I am not in agony

but am mostly bedridden.

1 am not depressed. 1 am angry. 1 would go one step further than the Dutch and allow useless and crippled people such as myself to buy enough medicine to check out. My life belongs not to the church, the state or the medical profession, and if I choose to end it, that's my business.

BRYANT HALIDAY.

Mr. Reich argues that doctors are "bound by millennia of solemn oaths to preserve life." In fact, physicians are persons skilled in the art of healing. Preserving health and preserving life may be two different things. Preserving life may fall in the realm of experimental physiology, not medicine, and may be of the physiology. value and even detrimental to the patient, the family and society. It may only benefit an unscrupulous pseudomedical institution.

We should go back to basic principles: The physician's duty is not the care of life but the care of his patient. In some cases

caring for the patient means helping him depart from this world. I hope that all nations will follow the example of the Netherlands and set up proper legislation to help those hopelessly in pain who wish to end their suffering.

HUBERT LECHAVALIER. Morrisville, Vermont,

Mindlessly preserving life may be a noble act for the physician but to the patient it is worse than death. Deprived of speech and credibility, the patient is defenseless against the arrogance of

health-care professionals. I have an incurable disease. My greatest fear and anxiety is not my death but my dying. Allowing terminally ill patients a choice would reduce their anxiety and fear and help alleviate their suffering.

This ultimate freedom - to die quietly or continue on - will not result in a "spectacle of formalized and regular killing." It takes the power of decision from the physician and gives it to the patient, where it rightly belongs.

For the Dutch parliament, this is a noble act for the defenseless. We who are

incurably ill want our voices to be heard. W. BANGERTER.

Blonay, Switzerland.

To My Friend in Sarajevo: I Don't Know What to Do

By Sandra Cisneros

Toothpaste? Nema. Toilet paper? Nema. Coffee? Nema. Chocolate? Nema.

But, yes, plenty of roses when I was partisans and mountains screaming

Tito in stone. It's true. I lived there on that street with that man Salem, the printer, in the house that used to be the grocery. That was the summer 1 spent being a wife.

I washed shirts by hand: with a broom

MEANWHILE

and bucket of suds I scrubbed the tiles

of the garden each morning from all the pigeon droppings that fell from the flock that lived on the roof of the garden shed.

It was summer. Everything was blossoming Our dog Lea had 14 puppies.

The children in the neighborhood came in and out of the garden, which was filled with walnuts and fruit and roses with flowers so heavy they drooped. And you lived across from me. Jasna. In the house that was once your mother's, and before her, her mother's. I have your recipes for fry bread, for your famous fruit hread that, like you

said, "always turns out good." You were filled with recipes and sewing, and did all the amazing domestic stuff I can't do. You were difficult. You

smoked too much and were moody. On the afternoon I met you on the wooden bench outside the summer kitchen of our garden, you looked at me as if you'd always known me, and I looked at you as if I'd always known you. Of that we were convinced.

After I met you I was always at your house, with its thick stone walls and deep-set windows, its dust, its forever need of repair, helping you fold the wash or talking with you while you worked. It the place where you married and divorced a husband, where I made you a piñata and we celehrated your birthday and joked it was the only piñata to be

had in all of Yugoslavia. Remember the afternoons of kaffa, roasted in the garden, served in thimble-sized cups the Turkish way? The minarets and the sad call to prayer like a flag of

black silk fluttering in the air? You would come to the United States and begin translating my stories into Serbo-Croatian. We were just getting the stories published in Sarajevo when

the war mined everything.
Who wants stories now? There is no shortage of stories when

there is no heat or bread or water or

mer. When there was still time, you

SAN ANTONIO. Texas — Nema. It didn't leave. Now I hear you won't leave. Your mother sick, too frail no doubt first word I learned when I crossed the to travel, your sister never strong enough border into Yugoslavia in 1983. Nema. even to make a decision. I imagine it's you who is taking care of them. I'm

certain of this. I have talked to your other sister in there, plenty of war memorials in fallen Slovenia. I have talked to your brother in Germany. We light our candles and are sick with worry.

I dream of you. Jasna. You are not dead. Not yet, I can say this with certainty because I know you too well, and if you died you'd come and tell me.

Mr. President of the United States. leaders of every country across the globe, all you politicians, all you deciding the fates of nations, your excellencies of power. I mean you listening to me and not

listening. Dear to Whom It May Con-cern. I've had it with the lot of you. This is real. I'm not making this story up. A woman is there. She's my friend, take my word for it. She's in there. Get her out, I tell you. Get them out.

They're in that city, that country, that region, that mouth of hell, that house oo fire, get her out of there. I demand you. Take some of these blankers I have, my beaunful new home, my silk suits, my warm stockings, my full belly, my refrigerator with things to eat, my super-

market, my spring weather, my electric-ity, my clean water, my pickup truck, my

U.S. dollars, my trees and flowers and nights soundless and whole. I demand you go right in there. I demand you give me a sword mighuer than this useless pen of mine, I demand

you arrive in Sarajevo. I'll take you to her house. I am afraid.

hut I'll take you. About words. I know what my de-mands mean. I know about words. There is no shortage of words in Sarajevo.

l am a writer, l am a woman. am a human being. In other wars I remember watching Buddhist priests set themselves on fire, begging for no less than what I ask for, and what good did it come to?

A woman I know is in there. In that country. A woman I love as any woman would love a woman. That woman, hermana de mi corazón, sister of my heart. I know this woman, And I am in San

Antonio, and the days and the bours and the months pass and the newspapers

know that somebody. And I love that somebody. And I don't know what to do. I don't know what to do.

The writer is author of "Woman Hollering Creek and Other Stories." This article was adapted by The New York Jasna, it's 10 years since that summer.

I haven't heard from you since last summer.

Times from a speech she gave March 7 for an International Women's Day rally



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New Study Details 1979 Outbreak of Anthrax in Russia

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By Philip J. Hills

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - One of the inysteries of the Cold War has been at least partly unraveled with the Spublication of a paper on a sudden. deadly outbreak of anthrax in April

71979 in Sverdlovsk, Siberia.
5 Soviet officials at the time said The outbreak, which killed 68 to 300 'people over six weeks, had been eaused by contaminated ment. But suspicions were quickly raised that sthe cause was the accidental release bof airborne bacteria used to make biological weapons

Such weapons would have been a -violation of the international con--vention on biological and chemical ;weapons. Soviet officials refused access to outside observers, and the sease quickly became a political battleground.

Last June, after President Boris N. Yeltsin confirmed earlier U.S. charges that the outbreak had been caused by military germ warfare researchers, six American and Rus-'sian scientists opened an investigation in the city, now back to its pic-Communist Yekaterinhurg.

In a paper published Sunday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, the scientists describe the symptoms of 42 vic-tims, and conclude that they died by inhaling airhoune anthrax

The authors also disclose the role played by two Soviet doctors in preserving crucial evidence, despite the removal of hospital records and

autopsy evidence hy the KGB. The event began between 6 and 8 A.M. on April 2, when a burst of anthrax spores shot into the air near the southern edge of the city. most likely from Compound 19, a biological-warfare site on a nulitary base, It is still unclear whether an explosion or a venting accident

dispersed the spores. Anthrax is a bacillus that has a dormant, or spore, phase, then an active phase, in which it multiplies rapidly in the body, giving off fatal toxins. The spores may enter the body through the skin, they may be breathed or they may be ingested with food.

Soviet scientists said at the time that none of the victions had pulminnary anthrax. The only symptom in the chest, they said, was fluid in the lungs and chest eavities, which they attributed to toxic shock from in-

But the team that published the paper reported that tissue samples and some medical records from 42

As Centrifugal Forces Grow in Russia, Can the Center Hold?

By Serge Schmemann
New York Times Service
MOSCOW — The failure of the Con-

gress of People's Deputies to find a work-able compromise for governing Russia raises questions not only about President Boris N. Yeltsin's political future and econontic changes but also about the survival victime showed strong consistent of the Russian federation.

The threat to unity is probably most evidence of death from inhalatory significant. Already over the last 15 Inhalatory anthrax curiously months. Russia's various semiautonomous does not show great damage to the lungs themselves. After the spores considerable autonomy. One province. Chechnya, formerly Che-

are inhaled, they travel to the lymph nodes of the chest. chen-Ingusheua, has declared full independence. Regions like Tataria or Bashkiria liave formally claimed considerable auton-It is there that they become active, multiply and release poisons omy from the center. Provinces like Nizhni that cause rapid inicontrollable Novgorod have begun ambitious economic hemorrhaging. The spores may also programs that often violate federal law. travel to the intestines and other Several areas have simply stopped sending areas where they cause similar revenues to the center. damage, leading to the possibility As the power struggle in the Kremlin has of mi-taking inhalatory anthrax for

rown, the leaders of the "autonomies," as In all 42 cases, the victims died ey are called, have become less interested in the policies of the parties than in what within bour days after the bacillithey can gain from either. Both Mr. Yeltsin began their rapid multiplication. and his rival, Ruslan I. Khasbulatov, have and all showed large infectious sores and swelling in the lymph campaigned for support by openly promismean the lungs and lesser out-

ing even more autonomy.

The development of regional independence may not be all bad. The large major-

ity of private shops, for instance, have been sold off by cities and towns, and some regions, like Kareha, have not waited for central approval to legalize private owner-

ship of land. But if the centrifugal forces become any stronger, they could lead to a total disintegration of the Russian federation, much as the collapse of the center led to the disintegration of the Soviet Union. Without a in the Congress or in the country really functional center, no monetary policy is possible. Development would grind to a

Of the few options the Congress left Mr. Yeltsin, the one he seemed most likely to choose was a national public spinion poll in lieu of the referendum on governing Russia that the Congress blocked.

Most politicians agreed that any national plebiscite would only increase the cen-trifugal processes. Mikhail S. Gorbachev's attempt to hold such a poll on Soviet unity in March 1991 kd to several parallel polls that only speeded up the dismemberment

That threat was underscored at the Congress on Saturday when spokesmen for various regions all spoke out against a referendum. One of them, Ivan Chetin of the Komi-Permyatsky region, announced, On behalf of 10 autonomous regions of the Russian federation. I declare that our attitude to the idea of holding a referen-

But Mr. Yeltsin's lieutenants argue that the threat of Russia's breakup is as great if central power continues to be weakened.

A plebiscite likely would confirm that Mr. Yeltsin is more popular than the Congress. But what then?

A poll has no legal standing, and nobody questions Mr. Yellsin's primacy in national popularity. That is one reason that Mr. hasbulatov, the crafty chairman of the Congress, has been so defensive of the creaky constitution, which defines his Con-

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gress as the "supreme forum of state pow-

The question would remain whether Mr. Yeltsin can translate popularity into politi-cal power, something he is not doing too well at this point.

That would raise another option. The president has never explained what he means by "extreme measures," but any attempt to disband or override the Congress by force would require military sup-port, threatening bloodshed and an inter-national furor. Mr. Yeltsin's lieutenants have made it clear that be wants to invoid this at all costs.

dum under current conditions is extremely . The alternative, then, is that the legislators will continue hacking at Mr. Yeltsin, both in the smaller permanent parliament and when the Congress reconvenes in June - both under the chairmanship of Mr.

Khasbulatov. For the immediate future, Mr. Yeltsin's team remains intact, and is likely to continue all existing privatization and reform

In throwing some concessions to Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin, a former Soviet government official who is neither a staunch Yeltsinite nor a shock therapist, Mr. Khasbulatov has confirmed that his strategy is to try to lure Mr. Chemomyrdin over to the legislature and thus gain control over his government.

At the same time, the Congress is certain to continue trying to pry out cabinet minis-ters allied with the rapid economic changes formerly championed by Yegor T. Gaidar, the acting prime minister who was ousted in December. The most visible of these are

obvious skills at maneuvering and intrigue, off even more. And Western governments would probably be blocked if he made in would probably freeze even the marginal

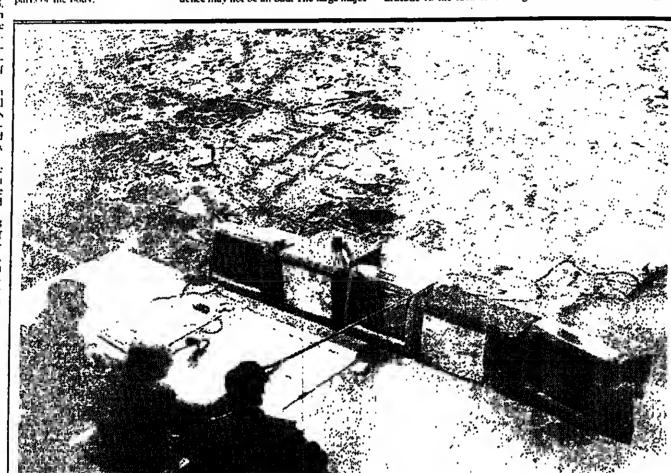
For one thing, the 50-year-old parliament chairman is a Chechen, an ethnic minority from the Caucasus identified in most Russian minds with organized crime For another, he is personally distilted by most factions in the legislature and tolerated learning the second seco ed largely because of his success at organizing opposition to Mr. Yeltsin.

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The Congress, moreover, has a majority only in opposition to Mr. Yeltsin. On all other matters, the deputies are radically

fragmented. In any case, if the Congress did gain the upper hand, it would probably not be able to gain enough political control either over the economy or the country to restore any-thing resembling the Communist com-mand economy. Nobody is likely to start giving back what has been privatized, and regions and cities are likely to continue on their separate routes.

At the same time, the privatization drive both in agriculture and industry would flag. The Central Bank would probably two deputy prime ministers: Anatoli B. flag. The Central Bank would probably Chubais, head of privatization, and Boris G. Fyodorov, head of economic planning. foundering state industries, probably push-foundering state industries, probably push-foundering state industries, probably push-foundering state industries. Fyodorov, head of economic planning foundering state industries, probably pushing Russia over the brink to hyperinflation. Congress did gain the upper hand over the government. Mr. Khasbulatov, for all his obvious stells are stells are stells are stells.



A Russian general using a pointer Monday to indicate features on the map of Europe to two lower-ranking officers during a training course at the General Staff Academy in Moscow, Russian generals attend the courses for instruction on tactics in Europe,

Clinton Vows to Back Yeltsin

U.S. Will 'Support March of Progress,' President Says

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton said Monday that he April 3 and 4. would do everything possible "to support the march of progress in Russia, but be declined to say more for fear that it might reduce

his leeway for decision. "I'm going to do what I can and mobilize what forces I can, public and private, in the United States to support the march of progress in Russia," Mr. Clinton said, "and I'm going to hope and pray that all those who want the same thing will

be in there pushing with us."

Ouring a joint White House news conference with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, Mr. Clinton was asked whether be thought the Russian Congress of People's Deputies, which is locked in a power struggle with President Boris N. Yeltsin, was truly democratic and, if not, whether he would object to Mr. Yeltsin dissolving it. Mr. Clinton carefully avoided a direct response, telling the reporter

with a smile that those were "great "I don't want to say anything now that might constrict my field of decision in ways that would not be in the interests of the United States or of freedom and market might declare presidential rule. reform in Russia," the president

said. "I wish I could say more." He added only that he was "working like crays to get ready

for his meeting with Mr. Yeltsin in Vancouver, British Columbia. on the Congress of People's Deputies,

In Borm, Chancellor Helmut Kohl pledged support for the Rus-sian leader, saying the West and especially the Group of Seven leading industrialized nations had a vi-tal interest in Russia moving to a free-market economy and greater democracy.

President François Mitterrand of France is expected to deliver the same message Tuesday when he travels to Moscow for a day visit. G-7 officials met in Hong Kong during the weekend to discuss the crisis. Sources close to the group said that a new aid package for Russia would be forthcoming, but stopped short of saying that it

■ Yeltsin to Resist Congress Margaret Shapiro of The Wash-ington Post reported from Moscow: A spokesman for Mr. Yeltsin said Monday that the Russian leader would "resolutely" resist efforts

by the conservative Russian Congress to roll back economic and democratic changes and left open the possibility that Mr. Yeltsin

The spokesman. Vyacheslav Kostikov, said that Mr. Yeltsin was still in the process of assessing the

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during which Mr. Yeltsin was rebuffed and humiliated. But he said the president was unlikely to leave

things as they now are.
"There is no easy decision because to let everything stay as it is means to let the Communist explosion that took place at the Congress spread across Russia," Mr. Kostikov said in a television interview. "I think Boris Nikoleyevich Yeltsin intends to act as resolutely as he showed himself capable of acting in the fatal days of August 1991."

Mr. Yeltsin was the key oppo-nent to the failed hard-line Communist coup, standing atop a tank in defiance and bringing thousands into the street to protest.

Mr. Kostikov's reference to the coup appeared to be part of a strategy to muster public and international support and restore the shine to Mr. Yeltsin's tarnished image as a political fighter, while scaring his opponents with the possibility of some sort of dramatic response.

Mr. Yeltsin's aides have repeatedly suggested that the Russian leader might be forced to declare presidential rule and disband the constitution to protect his changes, the separation of powers and his

beleaguered presidency.

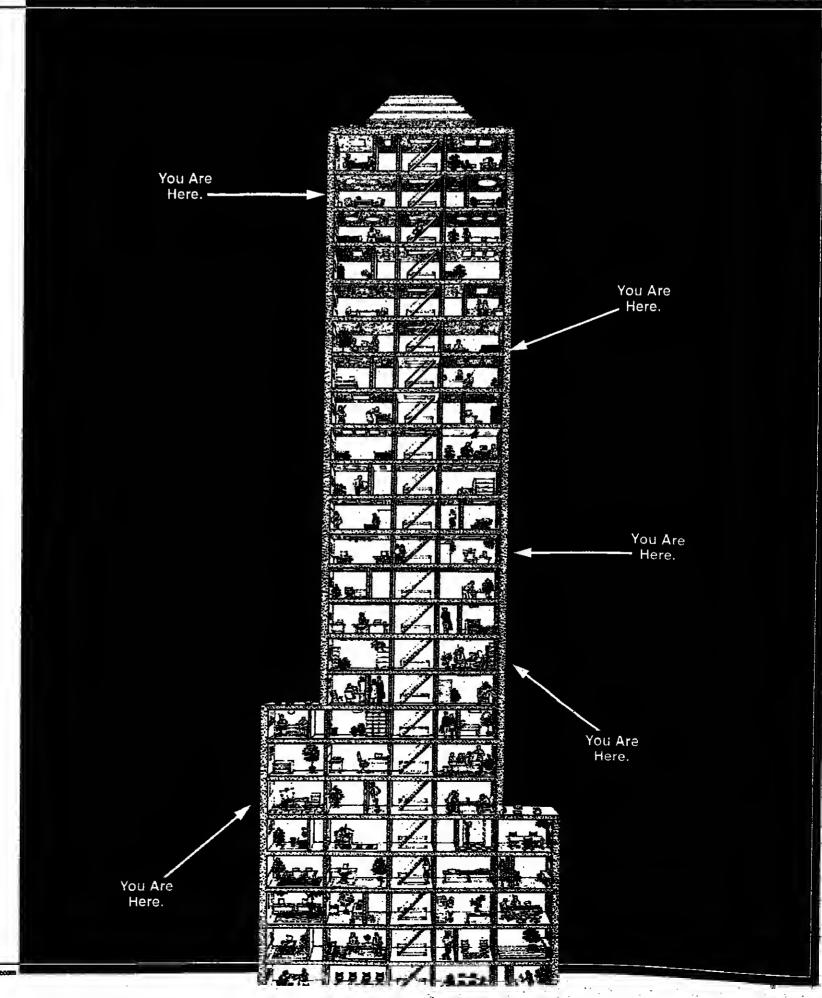
The Congress, elected in 1990, is dominated by former Communists, political and constitutional damage hard-line nationalists and centrists.

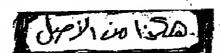
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Israel Again Raises Golan Heights as a Peace Talks Point

ister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, saying he was prepared to take disks for peace, offered Monday to pull back on the Golan Heights as part deportees instead of repatriation of a peace agreement with Syria.

But he said Israel would not negotiate "the dimension of the withdrawal" until it knew what kind of peace Syria would extend to the Jewish state.

Palestinian demand to repairiate the Palestinians deported to Lebanon, Chinton said: "I think we've

In a dialogue with Syrian negoti-ators in October, Israel offered to talks. I certainly hope we do. yield only some Golan territory and to redraw boundaries. But they insisted that giving up the Golan entirely was ont of the question.

Mr. Rabin's statement Monday was made at a joint news conference with President Bill Clinton after the two men met for three and a half hours in the White House.

The prime minister also urged the Palestinians to drop their threatened boycott and attend the negotiations scheduled to resume

Mr. Clinton proclaimed there was "a real shot" at getting the peace talks back on track. "There are a lot of reasons to be hopeful," the president said at a photo session in the Oval Office.

He said Mr. Rabin had assured him he was "prepared to take risks for peace" and that the U.S. role "is to minimize those risks."

"We have an historic responsibility and a historic opportunity," Mr. Clinton said.

Mr. Rabin said he had presented Israel's approach to peacemaking and confirmed that he had told the president he was prepared to take

He said Israel was ready for compromises, but "compromises cannot be one-sided." He appealed to the Palestinians to return to the

Mr. Clinton, trying to smooth the way for Israeli concessions, promised to maintain's Israel's military edge over the Arabs and said any peace with the Arabs must accord Israel full diplomatic relations and open borders. He called those "the best guarantees of peace."

At the same time, Mr. Clinton indicated be was not pushing Israel to ease its terms for the repatriation of 396 Palestinians deported to Lebanoo. He said a Feb. I compromise worked out between the Unit-month.

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act with prudence," Mr. Li said, in a typically fuzzy passage. "We

should evaluate our experience at

every step, continuing to do what is right, correcting what is wrong and

improving what is imperfect, so as to avoid losses, great losses in par-

At a party attended by many Chinese officials and business peo-

de, oone of those questioned had

bothered to watch the speech oo

television or listen to the radio

man, before changing the topic, "no one really cares."

tubber-stamp parliament will dis-

cuss the speech in group meetings

during the 17-day session. They

will also elect a new slate of govern-

ment leaders, obeying instructions

from the Communist Party Central

One of the few concrete sugges-

tions in the speech was to increase

the target for the annual average

growth rate in the present five-year plan. The target had been 6 per-

cent, but Mr. Li suggested it be

The speech gave no hint that the leaders would like to ease up politi-

However, unlike his speech to the congress last year, Mr. Li this time did not call for repression of

"bourgeois liberalization," a

codeword for advocacy of democ-

racy. In general, his speech this

year appeared to be somewhat

changed to 8 to 9 percent.

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cal controls.

"Frankly," said one business-

The nearly 3,000 delegates to the

WASHINGTON — Prime Min-ner Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, say-

over a year's time. Asked about chances of the talks resuming if Israel did not agree to a

"Obviously there are difficulties and there are those who would prefer it not be done, but I think we have a real shot" at talks leading to

a lasting peace, he said. Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher talked with President Hafez Assad of Syria last month in

The Syrian president is known to be willing to have Israel relinquish the territory Syria lost in the 1967 war in phases, provided Israel accepted Syria's sovereignty over the Golan Heights.

Mr. Clinton, asked specifically if he envisioned peace between Israel and Syria, said: "I hope the peace process will resume shortly. I'm hopeful it will produce a good re-sult. I think there's a chance of it."

Asked about incidents of increased terrorism, including the stabbing and wounding in northern Israel on Monday of a man who immigrated from New York a month ago, Mr. Clinton said:

"I heard about it. I'm disturbed about it. I hope it won't deter any of the parties involved from seeking a genuine long-term peace. The larger interests still argue for hav-ing a good-faith effort in the peace

In another incident of violence an Israeli in the Golan Heights shot an Arab he mistakenly took for an attacker, the police and Israel radio

stations said. In Damascus, a ractical Palestin-ian guerrilla faction claimed that its activists had kidnapped and killed

an Israeli soldier near Tel Aviv last In the occupied West Bank, near the Jewish settlement of Eli, a truck driven by a Palestinian struck and

proposals.

killed two Israeli hitch-hikers, Israel radio stations reported. A total of six Israelis and six Palestinians have been killed this

(Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

COLONY: Chinese Leader Angry Pact May Lead to Cots

more concerned with economic York Times reported from Bonn: The Solidarity Pact reached by Germany's mainstream political change than in past years.

The deconciation of Britain comes after the governor of Hong Kong, Chris Patten, announced Friday that he would present legislation for democratic change to the territory's legislature. China will inherit Hong Kong in July 1997

> The Bundesbank had been pressing Chancellor Kohl's government for mooths to come up with a comprehensive plan to pay for rebuilding Eastern Germany, a task ex-pected to cost \$62.5 billion a year

not over democracy but about adherence to the Basic Law, or miniconstitution, that China has established for Hong Kong after 1997. "In essence," be added, "the action taken by the British authorities in Hong Kong against the Basic Law is designed to create disorder and to impede the smooth transfer of power, so it is not a question of

[After Mr. Li spoke, the British foreign secretary, Douglas Hurd, told the House of Commons on Monday that Britain still wanted talks with Beijing on the future of

Hong Kong, Agence France-Presse reported from London. "We remain ready for talks at any time and I hope the Chinese side will be prepared to settle quickly on arrangements for such The Chinese propaganda apparatus has been working overtime in the last few days, cranking out blistering attacks on Mr. Patten.

> The pact must still be approved by the German parliament. While there was still some opposition among lower-ranking Social Democratic deputies, the pact was expected to be passed quickly because the party's leaders were

BOSNIA: UN General's Gamble

lims will die in continuing offensives by Serbian nationalist forces, snian government set conditions Sunday under which it would accept an international peace plan. President Alija Izetbegovic will

neturn to peace talks at the United Nations this week, carrying the consensus he promised. But whether his government's demands of broader guarantees for Muslims are acceptable to the other factions remains to be seen. In the past, both the Serbs and the United Nations have objected to Bosnian re-

The president told a meeting of Muslim leaders leaders that they must ensure that enough Muslims survive the war to continue a 500year Muslim tradition in Bosnia. "If anybody asked me today

what was the most important thing, I would say that the survival of my people is more important than the survival of the country," Mr. Izetbegavic said.

Mr. Izetbegovic will demand that any peace plan include a strict timetable and provisions that peacekeeping troops deployed by the United Nations or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization will have the power to enforce the plan in the face of any Serbian resis-

The Bosnian leader will also de mand that Sarajevo and other cities that have been bombarded for

nearly a year by Serbian nationalists be opened to free passage im-mediately after the signing of an accord and that all heavy weapons be placed under the "physical control" of peacekeeping forces.

Mr. Hurd said.

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CAMEL PATROL - An Egyptian policeman on a camel keeping an eye out for trouble. Security has been tightened for tourists.

35 Suspected Muslim Extremists Arrested in Egypt

CAIRO — The police raided a small island in the Nile on Monday and arrested 35 sus-

pected Muslim extremists after a firefight in which one policeman was reportedly killed and two extremists wounded.

near Asyut, a center of extremist violence 200 miles (320 kilometers) south of Cairo. Police acted on a tip that the killers of a police officer and his 6-year-old son were hiding in

against Muslim militants who have been attacking policemen. Coptic Christians and foreign tourists in what some observers see as an attempt to overthrow the government and

GERMANY: Bundesbank Dampens Optimism About Interest Rate Cuts

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following one in the steel industry, IG Metall, Germany's largest union, is demanding that a wage agreement should be applied which was concluded in 1991 and asked that wages of workers in Eastern Germany be increased to between 70 percent and 80 percent of the level in Western Germany oo April l with equalization foreseen in a year. Employers have refused, saying they do not have the funds to

meet the demand. Following the failure of the fifth negotiating session between em-ployers and the union, Horst Wag-ner, an official of IG Metall, warned employers against any temptation to cancel the wage

Ferdinand Protzman of the New

leaders over the weekend was meant to resolve questions of bow to divide the buge financial burden of rebuilding Eastern Germany. But its most immediate effect may be to open the way for the Bundesank to lower interest rates

The governor of Hong Kong perfidiously and unilaterally proposed a program for major changes in the current political system in the territory," Mr. Li declared. He argued that the dispute was for the next 10 years.

The Bundesbank frequently

cited its concern about the financing of unity as a reason for keeping rman interest rates high. But with the German economy in a deepening recession, the central bank has been carefully guiding rates lower. That trend may be accelerated by the Solidarity Pact, government officials and private economists said.

"We have achieved a result that will enable us to meet the chal-lenges facing us in Eastern Germa-Mr. Kohl said at a weekend press conference.

Pressure to reach agreement on the pact increased greatly after the Social Democrats and Mr. Kohl's Christian Democratic Union suffered significant losses in elections in the state of Hesse on March 7. Opinion polls showed that many voters were disillusioned with the way Germany's main political parties had handled the financing of unification and that they perceived the parties as incapable of substan-

successful in getting Mr. Kohl's co-alition government to rescind plans

to reduce unemployment and wel- the Bundesbank in its further decifurt. "I think it will lower both key fare benefits for the poor, "This result will have positive Many private economists share rates by one-half percentage point effects on the economy," said Theo that view. "The solidarity pact is an additional argument for the result will be judged positively by rates," said Peter Pietsch, an economy in two weeks."

turn Egypt into a theocracy,

KOREA: Sanctions Against North

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government, "We never want North Korea to be isolated internationally," said Mr. Kim. "nor do we want to inflict suffering on them." But North Korea's decision Fri-

day to abandon the treaty, saying that demands to inspect two suspected nuclear sites was an American-ied attack on its national sovfrom nuclear waste. ereignty, has strengthened hardliners in Seoul who doubt that the North can change.

They had opposed even the modest economic ties advocated by the former president. Rob Tac Woo, who attempted to build contacts with the North in bones that the exposure to capitalism would gradually change the regime, and reduce the costs of eventual reunification of the country.

Last year the North and South had about \$174 million in trade, mostly North Korean zinc, gold, cement and herbal medicines sent to the South. While the statistics are comparatively tiny, they ac-counted for roughly 6 percent of all of North Korea's foreign trade. Talks have been under way on building a huge South Korean tex-tiles facility in the North. The prospect of that investment is the South's biggest bargaining chip in its effort to persuade the North to abandon its weapons project.

South Korean officials are also locusing on China, the North's most influential ally and its biggest trading partner. Chinese authorities have also expressed reservations about the bomn project, but they have been reluctant to press one of the few other hard-line Communist regimes left.

"The key is the Chinese border, where the goods flow," said Yu Suk Ryul, the director general of the department of national security and unification affairs at an institute run by South Korea's Foreign Ministry, "If the Chinese cut them mist at Commerzbank in Frank- off, they could survive maybe six months, maybe a year."

In a sometimes stormy National Assembly session, some members of parliament blamed the former administration for failing to come down harder on the North's efforts

to build a bomb, which U.S. intelligence officials say is dangerously

close to success. One prominent opposition lawmaker, Park Chang Jong, suggested that South Korea should abandon its 1991 pledge never to build nuclear fuel reprocessing facilities of its own, which would enable the country to produce plutonium

South Korea is widely believed to have the engineering talent to quickly build a bomb of its own, so the availability of the plutonium would effectively give the country a nuclear deterrent. Such a move probably would be opposed by the United States, which more than a decade ago blocked an effort by South Korea to put together its own nuclear weaponry.

U.S. officials here, in meetings with South Korean officials, said Vievthat they still held out some hope duc: that the government in Pyongyang might reverse itself. Over the weekend, Secretary of Defense Les Aspin said. "We're right now trying to get the North Korean government to change is position. And we're looking at options as to what to do if we can't get them to change."

But military officials said they had no plans to leave additional American troops here after an annual military exercise, called Team Spirit, ends later this week. The North has denounced the exercises as a "nuclear war rehearsal" and cited them as one reason that it was becoming the first nation to withdraw from the treaty.

Japan Leader to Visit Clinton nime.

The Associated Press WASHINGTON -- Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa of Japan will their visit President Bill Clinton on April tates le for a meeting and working lunch, the White House announced on Monday. It will be Mr. Clinton's first meeting as president with Mr. Miyazawa. On the agenda will be preparations for the economic

summit talks in July in Tokyo of

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The Avant-Garde Plunges Back to the Middle Ages

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune

ARIS — Leather helmets from medieval knights. Tunics cut in jester points. Vests with ragged Robin Hood edges. Skirts with slit windows of transparency. Is fashion realy jousting with the Dark Ages?

Karl Lagerfeld picked up the medieval mood from the avant-garde, which is into purging, penitence and expurgation after a period of fashion excess. They are showing monastically plain clothes.

Lagerfeld used the Middle Ages on Monday to make a thoroughly modern show. It was food for

PARIS FASHION

thought, rather than a great collection, because the designer was working on themes we have already seen. Most of the show consisted of rapier-sharp jackets, cut into geometric sections and thrust close to the body. They went over the long transparent skirts that Lager-feld was the first to show and everyone has copied. But there was a difference: The vision of long model-girl legs was only partial because the chiffon intersected wool or gray flannel.

"It's a new puritanism - with a tinge of hope," said Lagerfeld after the show. As skirts they didn't work — as in no one will wear them. But the designer is smart enough to sense what is going on in the world and to understand that, defiant or not, women are going to

Start covering themselves up.

The Karl Lagerfeld show was mostly straightforward clothes: body-skimming, dozen-a-minute jackets, fine calf-length coats and strong knits, especially elongated tumics with long skirts. But both day and evening outfits were lanced with the Middle Ages theme: boots with cuffs and heels as sharp as a fencing saber, the Joan of Arc helmets, crenellated hems or a portculis of jet

embroidery on skinny crepe evening jackets.

Lagerfeld also recycled his old ideas (plastic trash-can-liner dresses à la Chanel and sheer dresses over panties). The clothes weren't so great but the idea of recycling is one of the strongest stories around in a

Martin Margiela is the guru of the genre. With loving care and tender craftsmanship, the Belgian designer gives new life to old clothes, stitching together fleamarket finds or boiling wool to give a patina of age to narrow-shouldered jackets and neutral-colored sweaters. Even the way he is presenting this season is part of his message. In the antithesis of a big boffo presentation, he shows by appointment in a white-painted, cracks-and-all atelier, with a chandelier in a ghostly shroud of gauze. There he showed a home movie featuring seven different creative women — artist, architect or photographer — in Bohemian settings. They wore Mar-giela's clothes, which are poetic in their lived-in simplicity: the long-sleeved, ankle-length dress, revived from the medieval look of the 1970s and endlessly copied on other runways; the jackets with fragile shoulders and roomy torsos, always belted at the waist; a short 1960s shearing coat lengthened with bits of cut-up coats; a dress made of a patchwork of old flea-market dresses,

their patterns redolent of GI brides and 1940s movies. Is this make-over fashion for real? There is no doubting Margiela's sincerity. He talks through his clothes on the rack, explaining how this sculpted dark maxi-coat with its petits-pois buttons is a cure's coat "with no idea simple, shapely dress has waist darts painstakingly stitched, ironed and then re-opened. There is a gray sweater with a shroud of mesh mixing the rough and elegant. The ultimate recycled skirt is made of worn

jeans with the knee marks bulging at the hem.

"It's nice," Margiela says, "to use and reuse old clothes." His concept of recycling at designer prices might seem pretentious, but Margiela has caught a fashion moment.

Helmut Lang has the same spirit in a different way. His message is clean, spare clothes drained of all color (apart from three scarlet dresses at the end), stripped of erfluous decoration. There is a sense in his collection of fashion starting over with plain black pantsuits and fresh white blouses, with subtle, barely-there mixes of color and texture in an ivory wool frock coat over a white panne velvet T-shirt. Lang has a monastic version white panne velvet T-shirt. Lang has a monastic version of the season's ankle-length wool dress, plain except for a trumpet flare at the cuff (those Middle Ages again) and perhaps topped with a small cardigan. A coat or jacket has a precise seaming and shaping to its back. His clothes have strength in their simplicity.

Marcel Marcogiu made clothes that looked like costumes from an Ingmar Bergman movie — a fragile-

shouldered silhouette, long layered skirts below a small bodice, noble-peasant fabrics and a taste of salt in the clean colors and in the canvas sail that billowed at the end of the runway. Sonia Rykiel was in good form, making the most of the fact that knits are hot. She had long timics and cardigans, pajama pants or trousers drawn in at the ankle like jogging pants, which looks too sporty for current fluid fashions. She also showed

onchos, which are a strong story in knitwear.

Thierry Mugler, installed in splendid new premises knows that be has to move on from his super-vamp image. He went back to the 1940s, balancing long skirts with broad shoulders and hair in a sausage once known as the Victory Roll. The best of his show was in knit — ribbed and flared tunics or Aran sweaters furrowed and cabled to the ankle.

EAN-PAUL Gaultier still carries the tag of enfant terrible, although for a long time he has been using the formula of spicing with wit and bad taste a show of classically constructed upto-the-moment clothes. This season there were long coats buckled high at the waist, bolero jackets over soft, ankle-length dresses gathered under the bust and thigh-length jackets layered over longer tunie dresses and pants. On fashion's target, as always, be lighted a dark color palette with varied textures - matt, shiny

On these modern clothes Gaultier imposed a theme. Down a long gallery dimly lit with menorahs, to "Fiddler on the Roof" music by a lone violinist, walked models wearing the curling sidelocks (sometimes, in fact, telephone wire), the flat furry hats and the religious accourrements of Orthodox Jews. This variation on Gaultier's Bunuel-like obsessions with nuns and whores made some people uncomfortable.
His fashion claque in mini-kilts, ripped jeans and beavy boots clapped at a knitted timic with tassels inspired by a a prayer shawl and a sequined skull cap with wobbling palm tree, Gaultier's usual suspects a mincing male model in a skirt and a fat lady with jelly-roll bosom -came and went. The designer took a bow in signature matelot sweater, with matching skull cap and impish grin. There is something bitter-sweet about the changing of the avant-garde.











Clockwise from top left: Karl Lagerfeld's medieval knight helmet with jacket and skirt in transparent patches; Jean-Paul Gaultier with jacket and skirt in transparent patches; Jean-Paul Gaultier work skirt and small top; Martin Margiela's 1960s shearling coal jacket and striped sweater; Helmut Lang's skinny apron dress over "with tecyclet pleces; but Sonyth Rykiel poncho.

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In Ads, Blowing Smoke

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photography in spite of — and "Buzz off!" the model seems to photography in spite of — and maybe because of — the fact that be saying. "I'll smoke if I want to."

Another '90s touch is the price of the black rayon sheath by Herve more out of style.

And no, the return of the cigarctte as a fashion prop does not mean a return to those classic imThurnher's photos of young actors ages of beautiful mannequins in beautiful clothes languorously ex-haling curls of smoke. That was in the '50s and '60s, when cigarettes were still synonymous in many minds with sophistication and ele-

gance.
These days, cigarettes are about as chic as bypodermic needles.
They are seen as dark, dangerous, even deadly — the perfect prop for a not moment in fashion photog-raphy. This is the age of tattoed models in leather roaring off on Harley-Davidsons, of models grouped in strange and eroticscenes and, in the background, a suggestion of violence or impending violence.

The message is one of stylized

rebellion, challenging anthority, defying convention, taking a risk. Go ahead. Just do it. Dare to wear this perfume, these jeans, those un-

derpants.

If gratuitous sex and gratuitous violence make noise on the magazine page, why not gratuitous smoking? Or so the theory would seem to go. Smoking has been ta-boo for so long in fashion photog-raphy — to say nothing of fashionable company — that the cigarette itself has become a supercharged

It touches a nerve, It creates a frisson. It flies off the page. Smoking is shocking, even if you don't inhale.

In W magazine's special shop-ping issue last month, four of the fashion photos showed models with cigarettes. One is Mark Abraham's black-and-white study of the model Cosima, looking haughty in a black sheath, eyebrow arched,

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the black rayon sheath, by Hervé

The cigarette has become a supercharged image. It touches a nerve.

in jeans and other sportswear. "The New Pack," the headline reads.
"Born to run — and to stun — Hollywood's next generation wears this season's fastest fashions." The lone smoker in the pack, James Walters, drags on a cigarette while flat on his back at the end of a diving board. The sleeves of his Armani A/X plaid shirt are rolled up à la James Dean.

There is also a series of photos by Dewey Nicks in which Amher Valletta, a model, has two smoking scenes. In one, she crouches in the California desert in an Anne Klein crocheted dress by Louis Dell'Olio. Her other desert outfit is a leather midriff and a wool skirt by Isaac

Along with the photo and fashion credits you half expect to see cigarette brand names. Though cigarette brand names. arette makers need every plug they can get these days, you wonder if even they might wince at these pic-tures. Smoking looks almost porno-graphic. Who needs this? What's the smoke signal?

It's something in the air, says the man who approved the pictures. He is Patrick McCarthy, executive vice president and associate editorial director of Fairchild Publications,

ob pictures, it's natural to include clements from those ages."

Of the highly stylized Cosima mere eight months."

There's a bit of a double mesphotographer trying to shock. When you see that butt between her teeth, you do stop and look at the picture. You may set outraged the picture. You may get ontraged et.
You may like it, you may dislike it. but you look at it."

In recent weeks, cigarettes have also surfaced as props in fashion layouts in Details and Interview magazines, as well as in some smaller downtown publications. And designers are suddenly showing cigarettes in advertisements that have appeared in mainstream mat have appeared m manstream publications, like GQ and Harper's Bazzar. Typically, the ads feature black-and-white shots by star photographers. Among the designers are Andrew Fezza (photo: Herb Ritts), Dolce & Gabbana (photo: Steven Meisel) and Donna Karan, in her DKNV live for year (elected). in her DKNY line for men (photo:

Denis Piel). The Fezza ad is particularly striking — a tight closeup of the actor Liam Necson in profile with a haif-smoked cigarette in his mouth. Part of the brand name is visible. The only clothing visible is the nubby collar of a Fezza sweater.

As Trey Laird, the creative direc-tor of the ad campaign, explains it: This ad isn't so much about clothes as about the type of man Andrew is designing for. Liam smokes. In between shots he would light up and Herb would keep shooting. It wasn't a conscious decision to show a cigarette or to promote smoking. It was just, here's this guy, hanging out, and we think he's great."

This may be a backlash to lecturing about smoking being bad for you," said Joann Schellenbach, director of media relations for the American Cancer Society. "When you've exhausted everything that makes you say. Whoa, 'you are left with smoking. The whole thing is ontrageous. Another thing is the models. They smoke incessantly."

On the other hand, the models in cigarette advertisements seem to have quit. Or maybe they never started. Some of them look as though they had never held a cigarette, as though they would rather be doing other things. Some of them are doing other things, wholesome things in pastoral settings.

A recent ad for Newport cigarettes shows a couple toasting marshmallows over an open fire. Not a butt in sight. The ad apwhich publishes W.

"There's a certain retro mood in both fashion photography and advertising and a certain retro feeling in the clothes, too," McCarthy said.

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"Designers are being inspired by the '50s and '60s, and so, when you do pictures, it's natural to include clements from those ages."

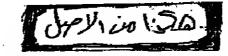
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The clothes too, "McCartny said."

slicked-back hair, looking vagnery like a gigolo. "Give up your two-pack-a-day habit," GQ says, and the jacket will pay for itself in a mere eight months."





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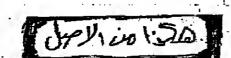
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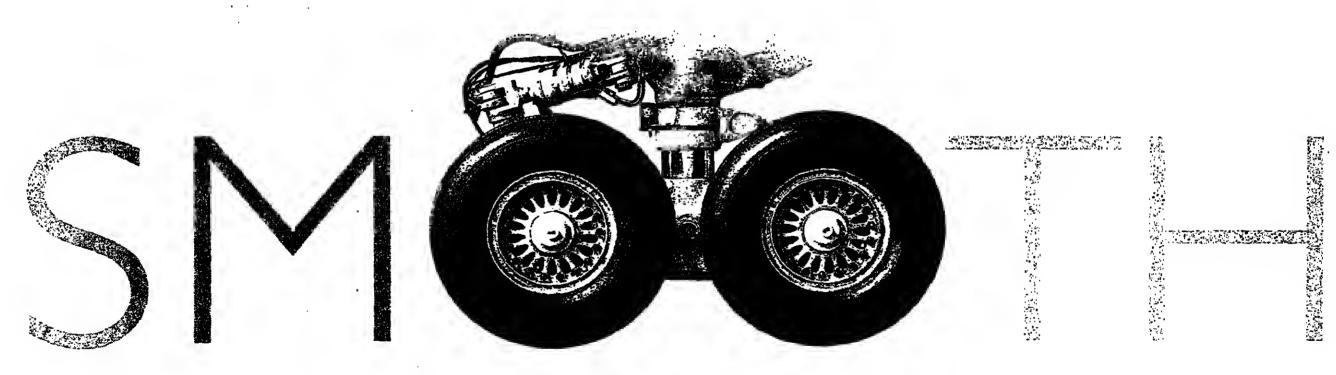
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EC economics and finance ministers, meeting in Brussels, adopted rules that will allow a Community-wide single securities market to be established by 1996. EC officials said, according to Bloomberg Business News.

The directive on capital-adequacy requirements for investment-service companies is primarily aimed at harmonizing national regulations and removing national barriers preventing new competitors from entering the market, an EC Commission official said.

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The capital-adequacy directive sets the level of minimum initial capital investment companies must have before they can begin offering their services to the public. These range from 50,000 to 90,000 European currency units (SSS 200 to SUS 000) depending on the activi-

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The other directive that must be adopted to set up the single securities market, the investment-services directive, should be approved by finance ministers next month, officials said.

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EC Executive Impatient For Power Over Air Accords

port ministers took a first step on Monday toward allowing the EC Commission to negotiate air-service accords on behalf of EC states. But their decision to set up a working party to examine when and how the commission could negotiate was termed insufficient by the commission. The executive body said it would consider action in the European Court of Justice in its battle to gain power to do the deals. "We have reserved the right of taking the matter to the Court of Justice," Transport Commissioner Abel Matutes said. "It's possible that such a step will be taken in the next few days." The commission says that it holds the power to negotiate the deals now that the Community to negotiate the deals now that the Community has a common market for air transport and says it would be better if the Community negotiated key accords with major competitors like the But EC members doubt that the Commission can do a better job than they do themselves.

The Commission does not have the staff or resources or capacity," said Britain's transport secretary. John MacGregor. The ministers also agreed to harmonize standards for air-traffic control equipment to try and cut down on the delays at EC airports.

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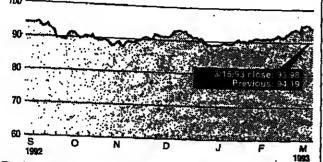
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French Financials Look **Ripest for Privatization**

By Steve Whitehouse AFP-Extel News

ARIS — Banque Nationale de Paris, Rhône-Poulenc SA and the major insurers are likely to be among the first statecontrolled French companies to be privatized when a center-right government takes power after legislative elections on March 21 and 28.

Weekend opinion surveys, the last ones to be published before the election, point to a resounding win for the UDF-RPR coalition, whose campaign manifesto promised: "All the banks, insurers and companies in the competitive sector will be privatized."

Analysis said the new government would be pragmatic rather than ideologically driven in its approach to privatization. The French right, unlike the Thatcherites, are oot going to sell rates should help hanks

things off just to get them into private hands come what may," said Charles Allen, an analyst at Natwest Securities.

In 1986, when the right was last in power, it published a list of 65 companies to be privarized and sold off 32 of these before losing the 1988 elections. Saint-Gobain, Paribas, Suez, Credit Commercial and Compagnie Generale d'Electricité (now Alcatel Alsthom) were

and insurers.

all returned to the private sector during this period. The daily Le Monde said recently that the new government's list of privatization stocks would be based on the 33 left over from the 1986 program. These include Elf Aquitaine, Compagnic des Machines Bull, Pechiney, Rhône-Poulenc, Thomson SA, BNP, Credit Lyonnais and the three state-controlled insurers, AGF, GAN and UAP. Le Monde said the center-right parties envisage adding Renault to the list.

The prospect of future earnings growth and a rising share price are seen as criteria for a successful privatization. With banks and insurers expected to be the main beneficiaries of a downward move in interest rates, they are likely to be among the first companies to be sold. "The interest-rate cycle is potentially looking better than some of the industrial cycles," said Mr. Allen of Natwest Securities.

Of the banks, BNP and Credit Local de France are seen as much more saleable than Credit Lyonnais, which said on Friday that its

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U.S. Approves BA-USAir Link

NEW YORK - The United States on Monday gave its formal approval to a contested link in routes and ownership between British Airways and USAir. Transportation Secretary Federico F. Peña said he would try to negotiate more access for U.S. airlines to Britain, but industry analysts said this would

be tough to accomplish.

Sir Colin Marshall, BA's chairman, pronounced himself "delighted" by the ruling which will permit BA to book USAir customers in 38 American cities onto its trans-Atlantic flights through code-sharing agreements. BA's investment of \$300 million to bail out the ailing U.S. airline was also approved by Mr. Peña; Sir Colin and two other BA's executives will get a seat each on USAir's board.

BA originally wanted to invest \$750 million in USAir in exchange for veto power on its board, but that ran up against laws prohib-iting foreign control of U.S. airlines and, even

more, the opposition of America's major carriers, who demanded more flights into Heathrow Airport, Europe's busiest gateway. BA dropped the proposal last year when it be-came clear the outgoing Bush and incoming Clinton administrations would not approve.

"Once BA took away the book of foreign control, there wasn't much Peña could do," said John Ash of Global Aviation Associates a Washington consulting firm. "The only way he could have refused to approve this deal would have been to blatantly violate the bilateral agreement or abrogate it, and that's not something the United States does."

As a face-saving gesture to the American majors, Mr. Peña said he would try to negotiate a new aviation agreement to replace the present hilateral treaty. "I very much hope we can do the deal this year," he said.

The bilateral treaty was negotiated in 1977

on favorable terms to British carriers, confirming the then-state-owned BA in its dominant role at Heathrow. James Callaghan, the Labor Jimmy Carter and appealed on the basis of the "special relationship" between the countries. To a classic case of trading off commercial for security interests, Mr. Carter agreed. This is exactly the type of agreement the Clinton administration will try to reverse now that the Cold War is over, but doing so will not be easy.

BA, meanwhile, gave every evidence of planning to settle in and ue its international network to USAir's, which is concentrated in the heavily populated northeast quarter of the country. It announced its computer would start sharing codes with USAir's on May I covering flights from Cleveland, and from Syracuse and Rochester, New York, via its Phila-

delphia hub and on to London via BA.

The British airline will also lease USAir's own Boeing 767-200 aircraft, flight, and cabin crews to operate direct services in BA colors between London's Gatwick Airport and three other USAir bubs, Pittsburgh, Baltimore and Charlotte. North Carolina.

Can HSBC Reverse Hong Kong's Slide?

By Kevin Murphy l Herald Tribune HONG KONG - The Hong

Kong stock market, riding a precipitous slide that has taken 8.2 percent off its key index in little more than one trading session, is counting on the strong earnings reported by the colony's major bank Monday and bargain-hunting American

ercent increase in net profit to 14.3 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$1.85 billion), largely due to a strong per-While the news came too late to

the heaviest day of turnover yet in Kong's Legislative Council.

1993, brokers say hefty growth at HSBC should provide a tangible reminder that Hong Kong's economic fundamentals are thriving despite the political dispute be-tween Britain and China that now overshadows the stock market.

The market has lost 8.2 percent of its value in one day and less than one hour of trading since Chris Patten, the colony's governor, declared HSBC Holdings PLC, the holding Friday afternoon that he would company for Hongkong & Shanghai push ahead with the early stages of plans to increase democracy.

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Investors feared China's dim view of such proposals would draw Beijing's condemnation — which mainland officials in fact voiced formance in Hong Kong and the region. Last year, HSBC took over the weekend—and a repeat of Britain's Midland Bank to become one of the world's top 10 banking ber and December when China last expressed its displeasure with Mr. Patten's plans to widen the electorcounter a 5.1 percent stock slide on al base for 1995 elections to Hong

China threatened not to honor contracts signed in the lead-up to 1997 and specifically attacked the Jardine Matheson Group, moves that sent the Hang Seng index spi-raling from 6,447 down to 4,978 in

Fierce commentary from pro-China groups in Hong Kong and a speech delivered Monday in Beijing by Prime Minister Li Peng to the National People's Congress, blaming Britain's "perfidious" be-trayal of the Sino-British agreement for fomenting "disorder" in Hong Kong, prompted a 315.79-point fall Monday on the Hang Seng index.

This followed a 261-point loss oo Friday, the start of a two-day dive from 6,431 to 5,854.61, just above a technical support level of 5,800, which, some brokers said, is all that stands between Monday's close

vestors assess China's next possible ways of reminding Hong Kong who ultimately controls its fate.

The Hang Seng plummeted early and dipped just below 5,800 later in the morning session, but investors who saw opportunity in Hong Kong's notorious volatility came into the market.

"While there may still be some downside to come, basically everyone bar the most panicky iovestor is looking at this thing as a buying opportunity," said Nick Moakes, a senior China analyst with S.G. Warburg Securities.

"It's happening too fast to tell whether we've reached bottom vet," said Michael Ng. assistant general manager at Sassoon Securi-. ties. "Local funds are still support-

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Olivetti to Tap Its Shareholders For \$560 Million

IVREA, Italy — Olivetti SpA, the financially ailing computer capital through a \$560 million share issue that stock analysts found alarmingly large.

Olivetti, the main operating company of the industrialist Carlo De Benedetti, also said its loss had deepened in 1992 to 650 billion lire (\$406 million), from 460 billion in 1991. Olivetti, which has cut 6,000 jobs in the past two years, blamed competition and the international

Revenue in 1992 fell 7 percent to 8.020 trillion lire. The company gave no forecasts for 1993. Olivetti said the 903 billion lire

capital increase, in the form of a rights issue, would be used to accel-erate growth through investment in new technologies and distribution networks, and would help it reduce its debt of 960 billion lire. But analysts were not satisfied

with this explanation. Their net debt is relatively low and their balance sheet is supposed

to be healthy," said Andrew Has-kins, electronics analysi at James Capel & Co. in London. Olivetti said Monday that oet

assets were 2.360 trillion lire, down from 3.083 trillion a year earlier. "I find it difficult to understand bow sbort-term liquidity could have deteriorated so significantly." Mr. Haskins said. "That would be the first reason you'd look for to explain a rights issue of this scale."

The issue will raise the compaoy's share capital to 1.507 trillion lire, from 605 billion.

by Mr. De Benedetti's Compagnie Industriali Riunite SpA, is asking maker, announced Monday that it shareholders to buy six shares for was seeking to more than double its each four they currently own, at capital through a \$560 million 1.000 line a share. The stock was suspended Monday on the Milan Bourse, baving fallen 45 lire to 2.140 lire a share on Friday, and a total of 7.5 percent during the

> The shares of CIR and another De Benedetti company, the family holding company Cofide, were also suspended Monday. Cofide an-nounced separately a 112.7 hillion lire rights issue, and CIR announced a 1992 consolidated loss b we of 540 billion lire, compared with a 49 billion lire profit in 1991.

As an alternative to the all-stock offer. Olivetti holders can huy three "d by shares and three bonds convertible into shares.

Dennis Exton, an analyst at Merrill Lynch, said the alternative idoroffer might mitigate the deal's negative impact on the stock exchange. since not all of the stock would be hitting the market at once. Olivetti said it would issue the convertible bonds up to a maximum value of 402.5 billion lire. Olivetti said it would ask share-

holders to approve the capital rise at a meeting April 29. CIR and the company's syndicate of controlling shareholders have already agreed to subscribe to the operation, which would be underwritten by Mediobanca SpA, Olivetu said. Digital Equipment Corp. is an

other major stockholder in Olivetti, DEC owns 4.03 percent of the company and has an agreement to buy another 5.92 percent by the end of

For U.S. Insurance Companies, It Was a Bad Time for a Bad Storm

By Philip Crawford Special to the Herald Tribune

Losses from the violent weekend storm in the Eastern United States are likely to hit primary insur-ance carriers harder than would have been the case a year ago; analysis said Monday.

This, they said, was because of rate hikes for

remsurance — the coverage taken out by insurance companies themselves, to lessen their own liability that have forced carriers to retain more risk. Preliminary estimates of the damage caused by the tempest are between \$500 million and \$1 billion. Industry sources and financial analysis say that

they expect a torrent of claims to be filed by pobcy holders residing along the entire East Coast, whose homes and property have been damaged or de-

GM Says López Is Truly Gone

Bloomberg Business News

DETROIT - General Motors Corp. said Monday that its head of

purchasing, J. Ignacio López de Arriortua, had left to join Volkswagen AG after a high-profile tug-of-war over him between the automakers. "Today I had intended to announce that 'lnaki' López was staying

with General Motors and would be given added responsibilities, said GM's chief executive, John F. Smith. "At approximately 1 P.M.

today, a friend of Mr. López delivered a hand-written note from him saying he was again resigning from GM."

Last Wednesday, Mr. López told Mr. Smith that he intended to resign. One day later, Mr. Smith offered Mr. López the presidency of

GM's North American Operations. VW said Friday it expected Mr. Lopez to join the company. But later Friday, Mr. Smith and top GM officers went to his house and thought they had convinced him to stay.

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stroyed by tornados, flooding, hurricane-force winds, subzero temperatures and other conditions related to the storm.

"The losses will be at least as bad as they were for the storm that hit the Northeast in December," said Michael Blumstein, an insurance-industry analyst at Morgan Stanley in New York. "And that figure was about \$650 million."

Experts said it was still too early to tell which of the major U.S. primary insurers would be the hardest hit, but added that all of the top 10 publicly traded companies — carriers such as Aetna Life & "caused about \$20 billioo of damage itself, and that Casualty, Chubb Corp. and American International would have been many times worse had it hit Tampa

mobile Insurance Co., are not publicly traded, while another, Allstate Insurance Co. is owned by Sears,

There have been more property disasters in the past four years than in the previous 20," said Ira Malis, who tracks the insurance industry for Alex. Brown & Sons in Baltimore, "As a result, reinsurance rates have risen dramatically. Whereas a company might have had to keep \$25 million of risk in a given

situation before, now it has to keep \$40 million." He said that Hurricane Andrew, in August 1992. or other highly-populated areas."

Analysis added that there was a paradox in the

Group — faced significant losses.

Two of the largest primary insurers, Nationwide

Mutual Insurance Co. and State Farm Mutual Auto
insurance industry: When a company suffers large

losses due to claim settlements, its stock price tends to rise rather than fall. The reason is that insurance stocks typically move upward on the expectation of premium increases, and any event that takes surplus eash out of the system usually leads to rate hikes.

Premium increases, analysis add, lead to profits. at least temporarily. "It's obscene," said Mr. Malis. "but disasters tend to do good thiogs for share

The share price of many major insurers, both primary carriers and reinsurance companies, rose significantly in the aftermath of Hurricane Andrew. as did the Standard & Poor's Property-Casualty

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VW's New Chief Unsheathes the Knife

By Ferdinand Protzman New York Times Service

WOLFSBURG, Germany Before Ferdinand Piech jumped into the driver's seat at Volkswagen AG in January, his reputation as Germany's toughest anto executive opened a guessing game as to just what kind of shake-up was in store.

While it is still Europe's largest automaker, Volkswagen faces a crucial battle there in the 1990s, as the Japanese aggressively move in, and at the same time must make yet

have not had two crucial models to sell for months because of a productioo fiasco in Mexico.

The guessing is likely to end soon once the VW supervisory board ratifies Mr. Piech's expected plans for cutting jobs drastically while pushing ahead with a multibillion dollar spending program to jump start VW's growth both in Europe and in America.

There has been no official com-

But interviews with government, industry and company officials provide an outline of a plan for a sweeping management overhaul, plans for cutting 36,000 jobs. including a "lean manufacturing" program borrowed from the Japaing new lines of cars and trucks.

[In addition, according to industry sources quoted by Reuters, VW will slash its 1992 dividend on common shares to 2 Deutsche marks Volkswagen, which initially set out on a five-year, \$51 billion glob- level when he took over.

al expansion, is burdened by a passive management, production costs that are among the industry's highest and a bloated work force of about 276,000, oearly half of whom are German production workers. Its sales and earnings are plum-meting especially in Germany, by far its biggest market, where experts forecast that industry car sales may fall 20 percent this year. Although VW's net profit last

year is estimated to have slid almost 50 percent, its automotive op-erations may bave lost \$600 mil-lion, a figure VW will not confirm. Now, faced with stiffer competition from the Japanese as well as from some U.S. car companies. Volkswagen has little choice hut to press ahead with its expensive plan

to become more competitive. These actions are necessary 10 protect Volkswagen's medium- and long-term expansion plans," said Keith Haves, automotive analyst at Merrill Lynch in London. company is financially sound.

"But if Piech does not turn around operations at VW over the next 12 months, they could begin to have cash-flow problems. Then the plans to become a major global competitor would be seriously VW has already announced that

9,10 9.10 it will eliminate 36,000 jobs by the end of 1997, mostly in Germany.
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7.29 7.35 more deeply depends on the state of Lower Sexony. The state government is Volks-wagen's largest stockholder, owning 19.7 percent of its shares, and has

another attempt to revive its nearly ment on Mr. Pieco's program, which deserted U.S. showrooms, which is to be put to the board on Tuesday. ditionally, his party has joined with labor to block any cost-cutting that

But industry experts say deeper cuts are needed. "Volkswagen's nese and a speed-up of Volks-main problem is too many people," wagen's sluggish record at develop-said Daniel T. Jones, professor of motor-industry management at Cardiff University in Wales. "The result is that the cars are overenginecred and cost too much to build."

Mr. Piech, an heir of the Porsche from 11 DM in 1991. News reports family, began his career as an engineer at the sports-car company. He later joined Audi, becoming chair-(\$169.05) in after-bours trading man in 1988. There, he aggressively 11.30 DM below Friday's close.] cut costs and produced \$94 million in profit in 1990, roughly double the

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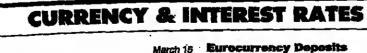
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Money From Bonds The DOW Flows Into Stocks

NEW YORK -- U.S. stocks resion slide as weakness in the Treasury bond market prompted some investors to switch funds into stocks.

"Money continues to flow out of all types of savings accounts, including Treasury bonds, into the stock market, said John Conlon, manag-

ing director at Rothschild Inc. The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell more than 50 points

N.Y. Stocks

last Thursday and Friday from the record high set Wednesday, gained 14,59 to 3,442,41 on Monday.

Prices advanced while investors showed concern about inflation. The Commodity Research Bureau's price iodex, a closely watched inflation indicator, rose to the highest level since last June. The Treasury's benchmark 30-year bond dropped 1/2 point to yield 6.89 percent, up 3 basis poiots from Friday.

"People are definitely focusing on inflation but the stock market is showing surprising resilience, especially when you see what's happening to the bond market," said Daniel Marciano, senior vice president for trading at Dillon, Read & Co.

"So far, the stock market iso't taking the bond market's sell-off seriously." said Jon Groveman. president of Ladenburg. Thalmann & Co. "Stocks will back off if bonds keep falling."

numbered declining issues by bounded Monday from a two-ses- about 9 to 7 on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was the lightest in weeks, as a weekend blizzard that socked the Eastern Seaboard curtailed activity. About 195 million shares changed hands on the 330 Big Board.

Stocks probably will fall over the next several days as investors' con-cern about inflation builds, Mr. Marciano said. "People are becoming more and more convinced that inflation is a bigger problem than first thought," he said.

The government announced Friday that prices paid by wholesalers climbed 0.4 percent in February, the biggest jump in inflation at the pro-ducer level since November 1990.

"The scare is that no more progress can be made in controlling inflation," said Thom Brown, man-aging director at Rutherford, Brown & Catherwood Ioc. "If that's the case, interest rates are going higher and stocks are going lower.

Amgen rose 's to 36\%. Oppenheimer & Co. boosted its rating of

the hiotechnology company's stock. Centocor Corp., another bio-technology company, fell ¼ to 7¼. The company said it would not restart the Phase III burnan study of its sepsis treatment, called HA-IA, or Centoxin. Nike loc. scared 4% to 76%. The

athletic shoe and apparel maker posted a 7 percent increase in thirdquarter earnings amid strong sales in North America and Asia.

Bundesbank's Chief Helps the Mark Rally

LONDON — The dollar fell nothing new hut certainly not dol-Monday against the Deutsche lar-friendly," said Kit Juckes, econ-mark as traders awaited Thursday's onist at S.G. Warhurg. mark as traders awaited Thursday's Bundesbank council meeting, analysts said.

Speculation about whether the Bundesbank meeting will yield lower interest rates moved in several

Foreign Exchange

directions on Monday but the small price movements suggest much is already discounted, traders said. Some said a half-point cut in the key German discount rate, to 7.5 per-

cent, is now in the price of the mark. The dollar closed at 1,6623 Deutsche marks, down from 1,6650 at the close on Friday. The U.S. currency rose to 118.61 yen from 118.06, while it climbed to 1.5229 Swiss francs from 1.5200 but fell to 5.6335 French francs from 5.6580. The pound was quoted at \$1,4355.

up from \$1.4324.
The Bundesbank president, Helmut Schlesinger, helped rally the mark in late European trading by reiterating his intention to squeeze

"Schlesjoger's comments were

The German currency had been nedermined after the accord Saturday between the German government, opposition parties and state governors on a fiscal consolidation pact to finance the rebuilding of Eastern Germany, traders said. The pact is seen as one of the key criteria the Bundesbank needed to begin its cycle of monetary easing.

Carl Weinberg, chief economist until March inflation data and February M-3 figures were reported before cutting rates again.

purchase tender on Wednesday percent until 1995. (Page 17) and the level of pressure on the French franc. (Bloomberg, UPI)

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Howard Clark Sold Big AmEx Holding

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Howard Clark Jr., who was demoted;
from his jobs as chairman and chief executive of American Express Co.'s,
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Shearson Lehman Brothers subsidiary in January, sold 46,152 of his
shares last menth, according to a Securities and Exchange Commissions

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Mr. Clark sold 15,000 American Express shares at \$24.88 each on Feb. 5 and 31 157 according to a Securities and Exchange Commission, filing Monday. 5 and 31,152 at \$23.75 on Feb. 17, according to the SEC filing. That makes a total value of \$1.11 million.

Mr. Clark has 90,730 American Express shares remaining, according to the Washington Service, which tracks stock sales by corporate insiders.

Someone in Mr. Clark's office said he was out for two weeks and unavailable for comment. "We don't comment on any of our senior, executive's trading policies," said Steven Faigen, a Shearson spokesman.

Omnicom to Take Control of TBWA

PARIS (Reulers) — Omnicom Group Inc. is to take control of the international advertising agency TBWA through a merger that will take place on a share-swap basis, TBWA said Monday.

A spokeswoman for TBWA said the exchange of all of TBWA's shares would be at parity. She could oot give a figure for the amount of the could be at parity. She said the accord, signed last Friday, would be confirmed on May 15

after shareholder and government approvals.

Omnicom, a holding company, owns the BBDO and DDB Needham agencies. TBWA, founded in Paris in 1971, has reported annual worldwide billings of \$1.1 billion.

Georgia-Pacific to Sell Butler Paper

ATLANTA (Bloomberg) — Georgia-Pacific Corp. said Monday it had agreed to sell Butler Paper Co., one of the largest U.S. paper distributors, to Alco Standard Corp. for an undisclosed amount.

Georgia-Pacific said the division's sale would generate about \$180 million in cash after taxes. The company will take a charge of \$50 million, or 58 cents a share, in the first quarter to account for the sale.

The sale of Butler, which generates about \$1 billion a year in revenue from 80 distribution centers across the United States, is expected to close about the middle of the year and needs board and regulatory approval. About 90 percent of Butler's business is in the sale of printing paper.

NuTek Unveils an Apple Imitation

CUPERTINO, California (UPI) — NuTek U.S.A. Corp. unveiled Monday what it called the first legal imitation of Apple Computer's popular Macintosh personal computer for about \$300 less than comparable Apple machines.

The widely expected move may create a major headache for Apple, which has about \$5.5 billion in annual sales of the Macintosh line, forcing it to cut prices even further. But some analysts are skeptical of Nntek's ability to market its machines, which will run some, but not all, Macin-

NnTek, which is based near Apple headquarters in Copertino, has beer working on developing the critical software and hardware from scratch over the past four years.

Weekend Box Office

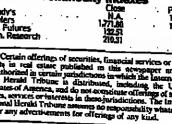
LOS ANGELES — The rap music comedy "CB4" took in \$6.5 million over the weekend to top the U.S. box office. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for

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4. "Groundhop Day"	(Catumbia Pictures)		33.5 colition
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6. "The Crying Gome"	(Miramax)		53.3 million
7. "Homeword Bound"	(Disney)		\$2.2 million
8. "Mad Dog and Glary"	(Universal)		52.1 million
9, "Aloddin"	(Disney)		molitice 1,12
10. "Amos and Andrew"	 (Castle Rock)		\$1.7 million

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EC Unemployment Rate Reaches 10%

LUXEMBOURG - Unemployment in the European Community reached 10 percent in January for the first time since April 1988, the EC statistics office Eurostat said Monday.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was up 0.1 percentage point from December 1992 and up 0.9 point from January

The largest relative annual increases were in Spain, from 17 percent to 19.9 percent, and Western Germany, from 4.2 percent to 5 percent. Italy was the only state to experience. a decrease, from 10.1 percent to 9.7 percent.

■ Bosch Plans Job Cuts Robert Bosch GmbH plans to cut approxi-mately 1,060 jobs at its Stuttgart-Feuerbach

plant by the end of the year, a company spokesman said Monday.

He said that the company hoped to achieve some of the job cuts through attrition but added that "there could be forced redundancies in the area of 700."

Bosch has already reported it made a group operating loss in the second half of 1992 and in the first month of 1993. It had cut its work force by 11,000 last year and by more than 1,300 in January.

Deutsche Babcock AG, the German engineering company, also announced job cuts on Monday. Heyo Schmiedeknecht, management board chairman, said that delays in er-utility contracts in Eastern Germany would force the company to reduce its work force by up to 1,500 beginning in May. "If we knew the orders were coming, then

we could do something," he said. "But we don't expect clarity any time soon." He said the approval process for a new power plant in Eastern Germany had taken

an average of two years to complete. He also announced that the company intended to resume dividend payments on ordinary shares, however, with a payout of 5 Deutsche marks (\$3) on shares in the 1993 financial year.

In Turin, sources at Fiat SpA said the company would lay off 42.000 workers for the week following Easter, cutting layoffs to 14,000 for the following week and to 9,700 for the week after that.

The sources said the move, which was aimed at cutting output by a total of 26,000 units, was due to the continuing recession in the Italian and European car markets.

Swiss Will Keep **Most Swissair Stock**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BERN — The Swiss government will "ensure the Swiss character" of Swissair and Crossair, one of its units, hy limiting foreign share ownership to less than 40 percent

through a stock buy-hack provision, the Transport and Energy Ministry said Monday. Both airlines will have to repurchase shares bought by foreign investors within 10 days of any transaction if more than 40 percent of their total shares fall into non-

Swiss hands. The provision takes effect on April 1. Swissair can currently identify the owners of its 1.4 million registered shares, a class of share reserved for Swiss nationals that makes up 60 percent of the compa-

ny's voting capital. But the company plans to make it possible for foreigners to buy registered shares after its annual

shareholder meeting in May, making it necessary to find another way to limit foreign holdings.

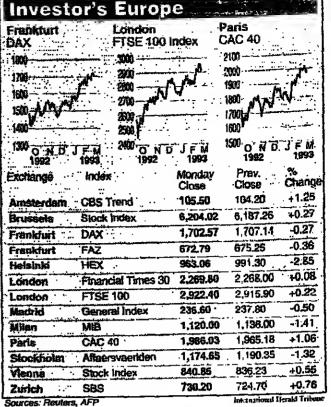
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Bilateral agreements between airlines often stipulate that a majority stake be held by residents of each line's home country. In Switzerland, it is also a requiremen that 60 percent of an airline's shares be in Swiss hands in order for the company to register new commercial aircraft.

Swissair has other restrictions on stock ownership, including the limitation of a single stake to no more than 3 percent of its capital.

Under terms of the buy-back provision, the price would be set at the level quoted on the day the repurchase request was submitted. Swissair's shares were un-

changed on the Zurich stock exchange at 580 Swiss francs



Rising Output Bolsters Hopes of U.K. Recovery

LONDON — Recent signs of a modest economic recovery in Britain got a boost Monday from official industrial-output data for January.

Although weaker oil production pushed overall output down 0.3 percent, manufacturing outout jumped 0.8 percent — much more than the 0.1 percent rise economists had expected.

The manufacturing figure was surprisingly robust and is consistent with the bounce in demand we have seen," said Jeremy Hawkins, senior economic adviser at Bank of America. Analysts said the figures would underline the

government's growing belief that the economy had turned the corner from recession.

"The ligures are further evidence of an increasingly broad-based recovery in economic activity and, hence, one more reason for not expecting a base rate cut this week," Mr. Haw-

British interest rates currently stand at 6 percent but there has been considerable speculation in recent weeks that the government could use its budget on Tuesday to usher in a further cut. Most economists now consider a

ery might prompt some analysts to upgrade their 1993 growth forecasts.

"On the back of today's data," said Kevin Gardiner, economist at Warburg Securities in London, "I would expect average expectations for onshore gross domestic product to edge up to 125 percent for 1993, from a current 0.75

lo Tuesday's budget, the chancellor of the Exchequer, Norman Lamont is expected to raise his growth forecast to around 1.3 percent or 1.4 percent, from a current 1 percent.

Very briefly:

• The EC Commission said it bad opened an inquiry into the joint acquisition of Shorts Missile Systems Ltd. by units belonging to Thomson CSF and Bombardier Inc.

• English China Clays PLC reported 1992 pretax profit of £86.2 million (\$123 million), a fall of 25 percent from £115.4 million in 1991.

 Volmac Software Groep NV said it had acquired Cap Sesa Luxembourg from Cap Sesa Region, a wholly owned unit of Cap Gemini Sogeti of rican

 BAT Industries PLC confirmed news reports that it had signed a jointventure agreement with Collective Enterprise Prilucky Tobacco Factory of the Ukraine to establish a joint venture company. A/T BAT-Prilucky

TRADE: Delors to Meet Clinton

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trading partners. They have aimed at "Buy America" provisions that give a price preference of 6 percent and more to U.S. companies.

Although current trade in these areas is small, the potential is enormous. That is about all the two

opens \$16.8 billion of federal procurement contracts to EC bids, while Europe offers only \$7.8 bil-lion in return. The U.S. govern-ment says preferential hidding treatment covers only an additional

preference permitted by Washing-

There are no agreed figures for trade in these areas either. EC officials say U.S. exports of telecommunications equipment to the Community totaled \$1.49 billion in the latest year, versus \$500 million in EC sales to U.S. buyers. Ameri-The United States claims it can officials say Europe runs a pens \$16.8 billion of federal probecause the U.S. market is dominated by private utilities. U.S. figures show foreign suppliers sell 54 percent of telephone switching equipment in the American market, while state-owned phone com-

SELL-OFF: France's Candidates

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1992 results would be the worst in 20 years because of loan losses. The insurers have also experi-

enced poor results, but part of the government's stakes in the sector could nevertheless be sold success: fully, analysts said. The govern-ment holds around 75 percent of each of the three companies. AGF and GAN are probably more geared up for privatization than UAP, France's largest insurer, whose chairman, Jean Peyrelevade, considers that the company is un-

dervalued at current share prices. Investors already appear to be cambling that the new government will favor the privatization of the banks and insurers rather than in-

dustrial companies. Nonvoting investment certifi-cates in BNP. Credit Lyonnais and Pechiney and the shares of Elf, Rhone-Poulenc and the insurers are already quoted on the Paris

Elf. Rhone-Poulenc and Pechiney have underperformed the CAC-40 since the first of the year, but by Friday BNP had risen 23.4 percent and GAN 24.3 percent compared with an increase in the CAC-40 of just 5.8 percent over the period. UAP has advanced 16.3 ercent AGF 14 percent and Credit Lyonnais 11.6 percent.

Holders of investment certifi-cates are likely to benefit from favorable terms of exchange in a pri-

Among industrial candidates, there is thought to be bitle chance of privatizing businesses such as Bull, Usinor-Sacilor and Pechiney that are operating in difficult markets, but the sale of the remainder of Rhone-Poulenc is unlikely to present any problems. The state now holds 43 percent of the chemical company directly and 19 per-

The UDF and RPR have ruled

out privatization of public services but propose increasing competition

Unprofitable concerns such as SNCF and Air France would in any case be difficult to sell and UDF officials have said that Elecmicité de France will remain à public service because of its involvement in France's nuclear energy

However, the sale of at least a thought to be possible. Alcatel Alsthom's chairman, Pierre Suard, who is regarded as an ally of the RPR leader Jacques Chirac, has said he would not rule out the possibility of taking a stake in the

The new government is expected to leave most of the chairmen of public-sector companies in post,

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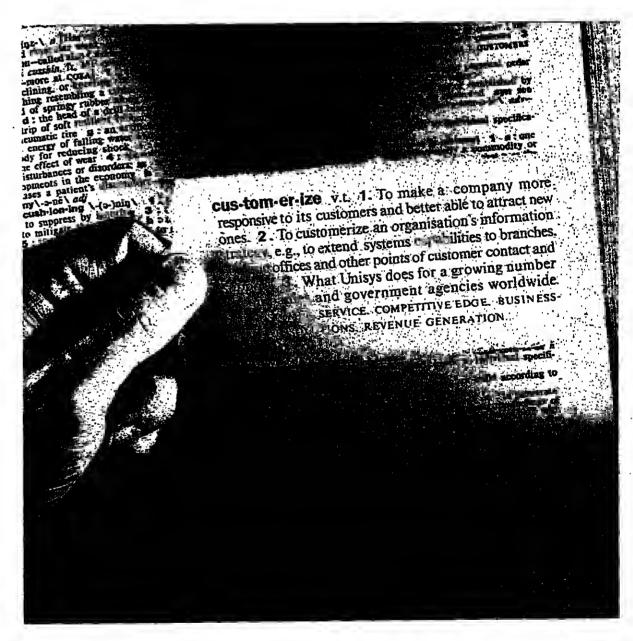
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The center-right parties have said privatization receipts will be used to reduce the budget deficit

(\$7 billion) in 1993 and 60 billion in 1994 and 1995. An RPR deputy Philippe Auberger, has put the selloff at 30 billion francs in 1993 and 30 to 50 billion a year thereafter. The RPR favors using more of the money for debt reduction than the UDF, said Sophie Blanpain, n market specialist at Credit Suisse First

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Compiled by Our Staff Fram Dispatches FRANKFURT - An explosion ripped through a chemical factory owned by Hoechst AG on Monday, killing one worker, in the seventh accident to occur at company plants over the last three

Klaus Topfer, Germany's federal environment minister, said in a radio interview that Hoechst would come under "intensive state control" following the latest accident.
There was no immediate

word on damage from the chemical release but local authorities and Hoechst said the incident posed no danger to the general population. It followed an accident on Feb. 22 in which two tons of poisonous chemicals were re-

leased near Frankfurt. (UPI, Bloomberg, AFX)

LONDON - The weekend storm in North America threatens to pose more problems for the Lloyd's of London insurance market, which is still recovering from the effects of last year's Hurncane Andrew.

The storm coincided with media reports that Lloyd's might have

shown an even larger loss for 1990 than the record £2.06 billion (\$2.95 billion) deficit it announced for 1989 in June last year.

The market reports its results three years in arrears to allow time for claims to be made. In January the independent expected to revise this figure upwards before its final forecast for 1990 in May.

"Chatset now believes the 1990 losses will be well in excess of £2 billion but does not plan to make a firm forecast until May," he said.

Lloyd's new chief executive. Peter Middleton, and chairman, David Rowland, plan to tackle the losses and problems facing the market when they unveil Lloyd's first con-

Still More Trouble for Lloyd's Lloyd's analyst Chatset forecast that the 1990 loss would be around £1.635 billion. But Chatset's editor, Charles Sturge, said Monday that it expected to provide the forecast control and future losses are hampering efforts to attract

new capital to the market. Insurance capacity this year will fall to around £8.5 billion from

around £10 billion in 1992. The huge 1989 loss resulted in part from Lloyd's exposure to Hurricane Hugo, one of a series of natural and industrial disasters that sapped the financial resources of the Names — individuals who back the Lloyd's promise of unlimited liability.

INSURE: For U.S. Firms, a Bad Time for a Bad Storm

Index and the S&P Multiline Insur-

ance Index. On Monday, American International's stock was up \$1 to \$123.625, but Chubb's was down \$1 to \$90.75 and Aetna's down 50

cents to \$47.125. David Seifer, who tracks the insurance industry for Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette in New York, sociation for property and casualty.

said be also looked for share price insurers, said that the industry was

competition out." Steven Goldstein, a spokesman for the New York-based Insurance

strength in the storm's aftermath. fully solvent despite the many pres"The losses will attack capital," he
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said. "This industry has been in a price war, and anything that attacks capital will take some of the billion in 1992." he said. "The abilition in 1992." he said. ty to pay these claims will be there." Mr. Goldstein added that the average home in the United Information Institute, the trade association for property and casualty its value.

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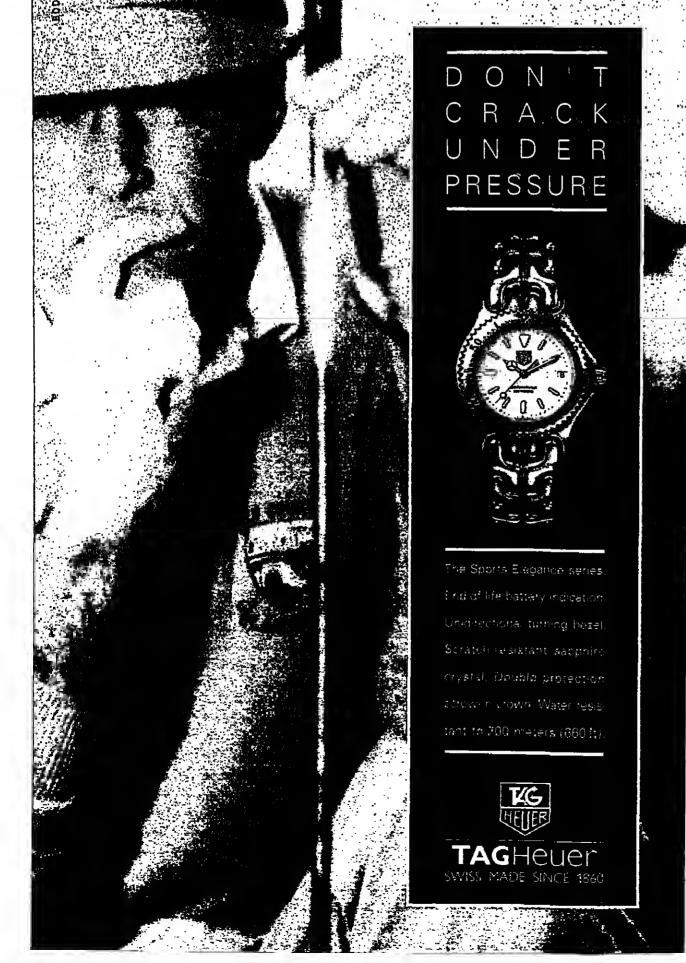
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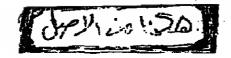
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China Lifts Targets As Economy Soars

BEIJING — Prime Minister Li and there is a constant threat of leng abandoning past southern Li inflation," he said. Peng abandoning past caution, announced sharply higher economic growth targets on Monday and said the government bureaucracy would be recluced by 25 percent over the next three years.

But he repeated warnings of the constant threat of inflation. On the opening day of a meeting of Chine's parliament, the hardline prime minister set the target for

gross national product growth for the next three years at between 8 and 9 percent, up from the original 6 percent Mr. Li targeted national growth his year at 8 percent, but made

lear that he expected the figure to be surpassed and gave the green light to coastal regions to set their own pace. "Where conditions permit, a higher rate can and should be achieved," he said.

If growth stayed on track, Mr. Li said, the goal of quadrupling the 1980 value of GNP by the year 2000 could be achieved within five

Despite pressure from ecocomic liberals directed by Deng Xiaoping, China's senior leader, Mr. Li had initially stuck to his growth target of an annual 6 percent in the five-year plao coding to 1995. which was set during last year's parliamentary session.

Actual growth last year was double the target, reaching 12.8 percent and making China a stellar performer among the world's economies.

But Mr. Li warned of excessive iovestment in fixed assets and inflationary pressures. "The amount of bank credit and currency put into circulation has risen too fast,

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He did oot suggest any concrete measures to cool demand in an economy that many Western economists fear is heading toward another inflationary spiral. Regarding plans to cut bureau-cracy. Mr. Li said that the number of civil servants would be cut by 25

and that the streamlining was crucial if China was to meet the challenges of the market. He also said that the oumber of ministries, commissions, organizations and offices directly under the State Council would be cut to 59

percent over the next three years

from the current 86. He did not say whether the cuts would be made with layoffs, or if the civil servants would simply be transferred to enterprises and organizations more loosely tied to the government structure.

"Reforming the administration and structure of the government is essential to establishing a socialist market economy and accelerating economic development." Mr. Li

NEW DELHI - Bombay stock prices improved during an hour-long session Monday, the first since Friday's bombings that damaged the stock exchange building and other business targets in the city.

Traders said they expected modest gains again Tuesday.
The Bombay Stock Exchange index gained 45.98 points to close at 2,423.22 and the national index was up 11.07 at 1.087.77.

Traders said the government's support of financial markets after the bombing of the exchange had considerably boosted morale among brokers.
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The Madras index was not immediately available because of a strike by stock exchange

Bank of Japan Springs a Leak 3 Top Officials Will Take Pay Cuts in Affair

TOKYO - The Bank of Japan acknowledged Monday, after an internal investigation that lasted more than a month, that a confidential document may have been leaked to the outside.

The central bank said two executive directors and the head of the hank supervision department would, as a result, accept 10 percent pay cuts for three months starting in March.

The investigation was prompted by a report in the Asahi newspaper on Jan. 27 saying a BOJ document, providing a confidential assessment of Mitsubishi Bank's management and merger strategy, was leaked to private financial institutions.

The bank report was written by a BOJ bank supervisor, who participated in a regular inspection of Mitsubishi Bank between August and September of 1990.

Koichi Takada, director of the BOJ's bank supervision department, said at a news conference after the Asahi report that the central bank had not known that such a document existed.

But Takashi Anzai, who heads

BOJ's management-control depart- charge of bank supervision in 1990; ment, told reporters Monday the Kunio Kojima, executive director central bank was able to identify an original document that "is oot substantially different" from the paper said to have been leaked.

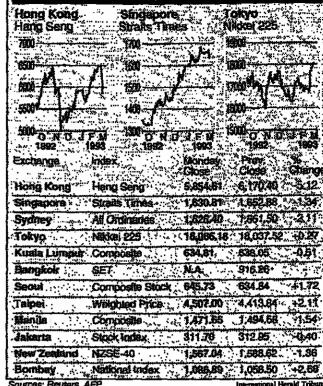
Mr. Anzai said the central bank interrogated more than 100 em-ployees who had access to the document, but failed to determine how and when it was leaked.

"But we couldn't completely rule out the possibility that a copy was leaked to the outside." he said. The central bank has given "B severe warning" to five senior BOJ officials about their loose informa-

currently in charge of bank supervision; Mr. Takada, the bank supervision department director, and two other officials from the department.

Mr. Tanji, Mr. Kojima and Mr. Takada also voluntarily proposed a 10 percent cut in their salaries, and the BOJ has decided to accept their proposal, another BOJ official said.

But the pay cut is not meant to be a punishment for the leak or an admission of direct responsibility. he said. Those officials simply "de sired to set things right after they tion control. These officials are Magave rise to a suspicion" the docukoto Tanji, executive director in ment had been leaked he said.



Westpac Plans to Trim 2,000 Retail Bank Jobs

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

SYDNEY - Westpac Banking Corp. announced plans Monday to shed 2,000 jobs in a major restructuring of its retail operations, designed to save 150 million Australian dollars (\$105.9 million). Most of the jobs will be lost in the next three months, said Robert Joss, the bank's new managing director.

The bank has been under pressure to shore up its operations and sell off assets since reporting a loss of 1.6 billion dollars for the year ended last Sept. 30.

The restructuring will create separate units for consumer and commercial business as well as simplify reporting lines and reduce administrative layers, the bank said.

It also will allow the bank to build its retail business around regions, scrapping the current system built around state boundaries. Westpac said last week it would close peripheral operations in Asia, including branches in Seoul and Taipei, and would consolidate (AFX, Bloomberg) its six offices io the United States.

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• Sumitomo Rubber Industries reported a 1992 consolidated pretax profit of 15.7 billion yen (\$135 million), up from 11.7 billion in 1991. · Mitsubishi Electric Corp. is holding discussions with Digital Equipment Corp. of the United States on a tie-up in the field of microprocessors,

Mitsubishi Electric said. • DBS Bank said its net profit rose 4.1 percent in 1992 to 328.4 million Singapore dollars (\$199 million).

• CarnandMetalbox SA of France said its CarnaudMetalbox Asia Ltd. unit will hold a 70 percent stake in a joint venture to make beverage cans in Vietnam, with Salgon Brewery holding the remainder.

» Taiwan's foreign-exchange reserves declined to \$82.52 billion at the end of January after hitting a record \$89.5 billion in September, the Central Bank of China said Monday. AFX, Bloomberg, Reuters

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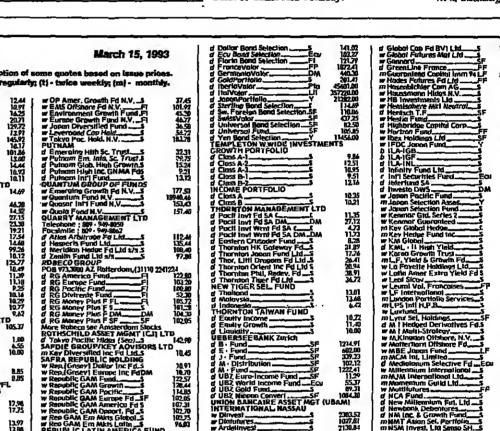
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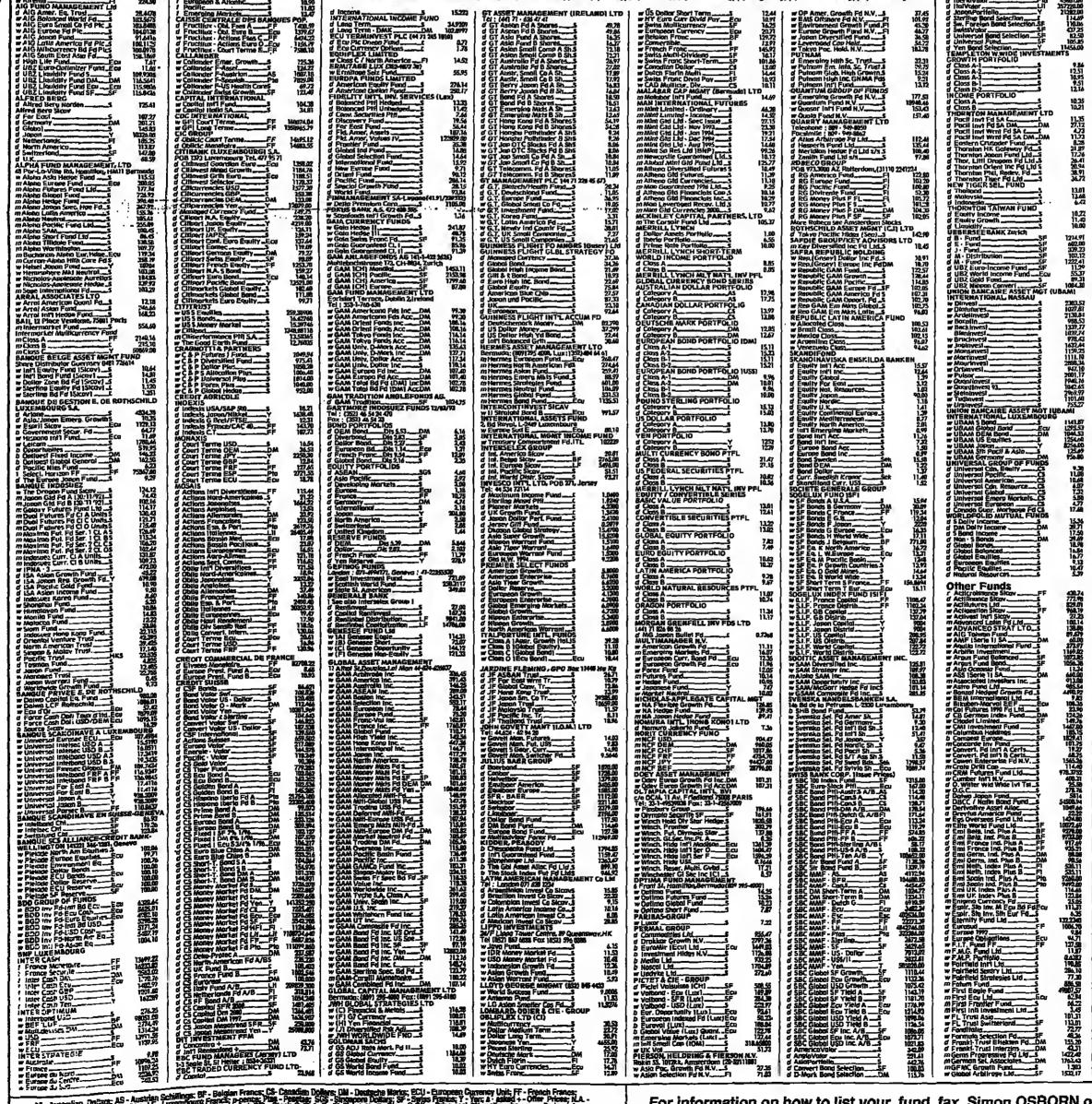
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In February, CITIC Pacific, another key Hong Kong-based company that is controlled by Beijing. announced that it would concentrate investments in China rather than Hong Kong until the current dispute over Hong Kong's political future was resolved.

Among the projects is high-quality housing. The company has already launched similar plans in Shanghai, Chengdu and Chongqing in Sichuan Province and Tangshan in Hebei Province, the China Daily said.

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Assinger Triumphs On Perilous Course

Meier Leads German Sweep Of Women's Giant Slalom

SIERRA NEVADA, Spain -Armin Assinger of Austria at-tacked Monday's wiod-swept men's downhill course to bring bome his first World Cup victory of the season in a time of 1 minute 55.64 seconds — one-hundredth of a second in front of Daniel Mahrer

Hannes Trinkl of Austria was third in 1:55.71. followed by Xavier Gigandet of Switzerland in 1:55.84 and A.J. Kitt of the United States

Switzerland's Franz Heinzer, who finished 21st on Mooday, remained the World Cup downhill point leader with 494 to 338 for Atle Skaardal of Norway. There are three more downhill events before the season ends March 28 in

Are. Sweden. Luxembourg's Marc Girardelli, 15th in Monday's downhill, leads the World Cup overall standings with 1,205 points to 822 for Kictil Andre Aamodi of Norway. Aa-

modt was 13th on Monday. "I'm rrying to enjoy the win here. I can't believe it," said Assinger, 28, "The wind up there was very diffi-cult but I just had to ski it and

accept it." Assinger's best previous finish in downhill this season was eighth in Garmisch Partenkirchen, Germany, He woo a Super-G in Bad Klein-

kirchheim, Austria, oo Dec. 22. The 31-year-old Mahrer, a winner once this season io World Cap downhill, said the course itself was in perfect shape but that the race delayed by gusty wind and snow on Saturday and Sunday — should not

have been run. "The cooditions were impossible to ski in, they shouldn't have started the race," Mahrer said, "It's too bad I was just ooe-bundredth be-

hind — hut I'm just happy to be second and finished." Trinkl's third place was his best World Cup downhill finish this season, but be said he was thinking

more about surviving than scoring "I can't enjoy the third," said the 25-year-old Austrian. "I'm just

happy to be in one piece. It was so

much faster than in training runs."

"It was fast and I just tried oot to panie," said Kitt. "Going with the race today was O.K. — we had to get racing after the delays here." The men's downhill on the 3,610-

meter Veleta course was postponed on Saturday and Sunday because of new snowfall and gusty winds, which may have put pressure oo judges to run the race Mooday under difficult conditions. Fifteen of the world's best slalom

skiers, led by Italy's Alherto Tomba, refused to race Saturday. in part because of a long-standing dispute with the loternational Ski Federation.

Spanish World Cup organizers said the cancellation of the slalom cost them \$3 million to \$5 million in lost television and sponsorship

The Associated Press

LILLEHAMMER, Norway -Christina Meier led Germany on Mooday to a sweep of the medals in a women's World Cup giant slalom, the last test event here before the 1994 Winter Olympics.

Meicr, who led her closest rival by six-tenths of a second after the first run, won it by just four-hundredths, clocking a combined time of 2 minutes, 22.06 seconds down

the Hafjell Olympic course.

Martina Ertl and the downhill specialist Katja Seizinger completspecialist Kaija Seizinger compilered the German sweep, clocking 2:22.10 and 2:22.75 respectively.

It was the second World Cupvictory for Meier, 27, who did not

qualify for the German team in the World Alpine Ski Championships in Japan last mooth. She won her first race, also a giant slalom, in Aspen, Colorado, in 1988.

'It was the last giant slalom victory for Germany and now it's mine the next time," she said. "It's a long time. It's the Olympic course

and it's a good thing to win on it."
"It's a very good course," she
added. "It's icy, it's steep, it's good
for GS." Marianne Kjoerstad of Norway, who trailed Meier by .62 after the first run, made a mistake on the

upper part of the course and never recovered. She dropped back to Anne Berge, another Norwegian,

who was fourth after the first run. just missed the podium, finishing one-hundredth of a second behind Seizinger in 2:22.76.

Vreni Schneider of Switzerland failed to qualify for the second run for the first time in her brilliant career, placing only 34th in the

morning. The top 30 qualify for the secood run. Schneider's disappointing run came only a month after she failed

to finish the slalom and the GS at

Anti-Olympic

the world championship.

BERLIN - The windows

Attack in Berlin

of eight banks were smashed and the keyholes of 20 more pasted shut by what police said were left-wing opponents of Berlin's bid to bost the Olympic Games in 2000. Three men were arrested.

Berliner Bank had put advertisements in their windows backing the city's widely opposed bid to host the Games. Critics say the money would

be better spent on reviving depressed East Germany. Milan officially withdrew its bid for the 2000 Olympics.

but officials said the city in tended to bid for the 2004



SOMETHING'S FISHY HERE — Nigel Mansell, so they said, test drove two dolphins Monday at the Sea World amusement park at Gold Coast, Australia. Mansell, last year's Formula One champion, is to make his debut in Indy car racing Sunday.

SIDELINES

Couples Wins Honda Classic Playoff FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida (UPI) - Fred Couples, who blew a FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida (UPI) — Fred Couples, who blew a four-stroke lead during the round, shot par on the second playoff hole to defeat Robert Gamez and win the Honda Classic golf tournament. Couples shot 70 for the final round while Gamez, with a 32 on the back nine, carded 68 to tie Couples at 9-under-207 after 54 holes Sunday. The tournament was shortened to three rounds because a severe storm wiped out Saturday's round.

out Saturday's round. Second-round leader Larry Mize shot 72 and finished third at 208, one

shot ahead of Dick Mast.

For the Record Sergio Cragnotti, president of the Lazio soccer team, still basking in the tie against runaway Italian league leader AC Milan, said Monday that "I have big surprises in mind and we're working to put together a great

The French catamaran Commodore Explorer is racing toward Cara. Horn and, having covered more than 16,400 miles at 15.95 knots, needs to average 12.8 knots for the remaining 11,400 miles to sail around the world in less than 80 days, its Paris headquarters said Monday. (Reuters) team" next season.

Atletico Madrid and Olympiakos of Athens were given "a severe warning" Monday by UEFA following their violent European Cup Winners Cup match this month that saw several blatant fouls and post-

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keeping me sane."

 Derek Harper of the Dallas Mavericks, asked why he was reading a book called the "Psychology of Winning" in the locker room: "it's

Todd Benzinger on playing last year for the Los Angeles Dodgers:
 "Sitting on the bench for a team that loses 99 games — that's as close to

the bottom of the barrel as you can get." Comedian Dennis Miller: "In the original Olympics, they competed

completely naked. That'll cut down on your product endorsements."

SCOREBOARD

Baumann Wins the 60

Second Time The Associated Press TORONTO - Julie Baumann of Switzerland won the 60-meter burdles at the World Indoor Track

Championships, two hours after a mid-race collision with Micbelle Freeman of Jamaica had knocked Baumann out of a certain medal. In the first race, Freeman hit the

fifth and last hurdle and strayed into Baumano's lane, forcing offi-cials to re-run the final. The second time around, Baumann triumpbed in 7.96 seconds Sunday.

"It was a good race, but I was a

little careful because I was afraid of making an error." Baumann said. "Justice was served." Lavonna Martin-Floreal of the United States kept the silver she

won in the first race, while Patricia Girard of France took the bronze hy edging Julia Graudyn, the hardluck Russian who won the first TRUCK A PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PER Javier. Sotomayor of Cuba, the Barcelona gold medalist in the high

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at 200 meters in Barcelona, won her race in 22.15. Melinda Gainsford of Australia's was a distant second in 22.73, with Natalia Vorocova of Russia third 22.90. Gennaro Di Napoli won the

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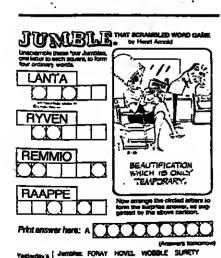
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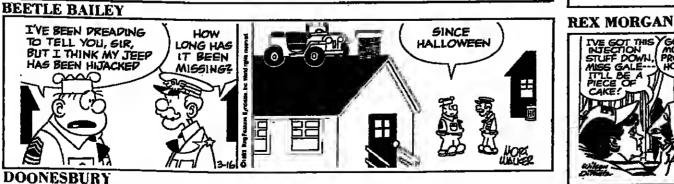
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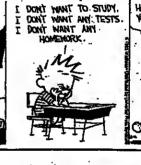
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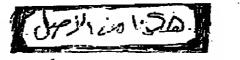




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* The Best Of the Rest

The Associated Press NEW YORK — Georgetown, missing from the NCAA field after 14 straight appearances, accepted a berth to play in the 56th National Invitation Tournament

The Hoyas (16-12) will play their first game Thursday night at Arizona State (18-9).

Other perennial powers left out the NCAA field who accepted NIT berths were Oklahoma and UNLV. They will play Wednesday night when the 32-team event begins at campus sites.

UNLV (21-7), perhaps a surprise entry because it is a senior-domi-nated team in Rollie Massimino's first season as Jerry Tarkanian's successor, will be host to Southern California (16-11).

Oklahoma (19-11) will be host to Michigan State (15-12).

In other games Wednesday, it will be Florida (16-11) at Minnesota (17-10), Miami of Ohio (20-8) at Ohio State (15-12), Rice (17-9) at Wisconsin (14-13), and Georgia (15-13) at West Virginia (16-11).

Other games Thursday are St. Joseph's (18-10) at Southwest Missouri State (17-10), Alabama-Birmingham (17-13) at Alabama (16-12), James Madison (21-8) at Providence (17-11), Aubum (15-11) at Clemson (16-12), and Boston College (16-12) at Niagara (23-6).

The first round concludes Friday with Jackson State (24-8) at Con-necticut (15-12), Virginia Com-monwealth (20-9) at Old Dominion (20-7), Pepperdine (22-7) at Cal Santa Barbara (18-10) and Hous-10n (21-8) at Texas-El Paso (20-12).

The Big East, Southeastern and Big Ten each has four teams in the field.

Second-round and third-round games also will be at campus sites. The second round will be March 22-23, and the third March 24-25.

The semifinals will be March 29 al Madison Square Garden and the finals will be at the Garden on

Big Ten Grabs Half of Top Seeds as NCAA Names Its Teams

1993 NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

KANSAS CITY, Missouri -Although it didn't get as many NCAA tournament berths as the Big Eight and ACC conferences, the Big Ten got 50 percent of the No. I seeds in this year's college basketball play-

Indiana and Michigan, both of which gained last year's Final Four, as the semifinals and final are called, were joined by top-ranked North Carolina and Kentucky as No. I seeds in the 64-team field.

It's the first time since 1985, when St. John's and Georgetown of the Big East were selected, that two teams from the same conference drew top seedings. Three Big East teams — those two plus eventual champion Villanova - reached the Final Four that year.

Five Big Ten schools were named to this tournament, while the Big. ence each got six teams into the field, which now begins a three-week rush toward the national championship game April 5 in New Orleans. Left out were some of the nation's most high-profile teams, including Georgetown (16-12), Oklahoma (19-11) and UNLV (21-7), in its first year under Rollie Massimino.

"They were 5-5 in their last 10 games," Tom Butters, chairman of the nine-man selection committee, said of UNLV. "I felt they, like several schools, really had the tournament in their hands with 10 games to play, and weren't as suc-cessful as they might have been."

No league has a greater percent age of teams than the Big Eight, or more to prove. It also had six last year, but had only one member get as far as the third round.

"I'm confident we'll do much better this time around," said the Big Eight commissioner, Carl James. "I like all our first-round matchups,"

Second-ranked Indiana (28-3), which beat Michigan in an all-Big Ten national title game in 1976, won the Big Ten championship and defeated the Wolverines twice this season. Third-ranked Michigan (26-4) has all five starters back from a team that lost to Duke in last year's championship game.

"We've gone through all this be-fore," said Michigan's coach, Steve Fisher. "The experience of having



been through it all once is a tremen-

19. Santa Clara (18-11)

Indiana plays Wright State (20-9) Friday at the Midwest Regional in Indianapolis, while Michigan opens the same day against Coastal Carolina (22-9) at the West Regional in Tucson, Ariz.

Top-ranked North Carolina (28-4), which lost to Georgia Tech in Sunday's final of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament, plays East Carolina on Thursday at the East Regional in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, East Carolina (13-16) is the first team since Montana State in 1986 to enter the tourney with a losing record.

North Carolina, which has Among others, North Carolina lost reached the final 16 in each of the past 12 years, extended its nationleading streak of NCAA appearances to 19. However, the next two number of upsets we had this week-

longest strings were snapped. Georgetown, which had played in 14 consecutive NCAA tourna-ments, wasn't invited because of its zy." He said it seemed like every mediocre record. Syracuse, which has appeared in the last 10 tournaments, had a good enough record change that." (20-9), but is on NCAA probation and barred from postseason play.

UNLV and Oklahoma failed because of poor performances against Division I teams, Butters said. Butters, the Duke athletic direc-

ranked Blue Devils (23-7) play Southern Illinois in the opening round at Chicago.

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Duke, seeking its third straight NCAA championship, is the No. 3 seed in the Midwest. The eighth-

hard to put something inside of us dine (22-7). to make us want to do it each time we step out on the court. It's not there right now,"

The Southeastern Conference and the upstart Atlantic 10 each got four bids, while the Big East, Great Midwest, Pac-10 and Western Athletic each got three. The Atlantic 10 commissioner,

Ron Bertovich, said he wasn't surchampionship and No. 6 national prised that his league got four invi-tations: Temple, George Washing-ton, Massachusetts and Rhode ranking, Arizona was seeded second in the West behind Michigan. Island. "I've been saying four all week," he said,

Other strong teams left out in-cluded Providence (17-11), Minne-Fourth-ranked Kentucky opens tor in his first year as committee

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Blue Devils must survive a regional that includes Bob Knight's Indiana team and Roy Williams' Kansas

In addition to Arizona, the other No. 2 seeds are Seton Hall in the Southeast, Cincinnati in the East and Kansas in the Midwest.

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The Southeast and Midwest appear to be the toughest regionals, while the East is clearly the weak-

Along with fourth-ranked Kentucky and No. 9 Seton Hall, the Southeast features No. 10 Florida State, No. 12 Wake Forest, No. 17 lowa and Kansas State. The Midwest has No. 2 Indiana, No. 7 Kansas, No. 8 Duke, No. 16 Louisville and No. 21 Oklahoma State.

The top four seeds in the East are ranked, but only North Carolina is ranked among the top 10. Several high seeds will be playing

opening games in their home state. North Carolina is in Winston-Salem, Indiana in Indianapolis and Florida State in Orlando. All of the teams in last year's Final Four are highly seeded this year: Indiana and Michigan are No. 1 seeds, Cincinnati is a No. 2 and Duke is a No. 3.

There was the expected grumhling from some of the teams that were not selected for the tourna-

Minnesota "always gets screwed when it comes down to whatever officiating calls, poor calls, 5-second calls. We always wind up getting screwed in the end," said its Duke guard, Bobby Hurley. "It's Cleveland State (22-6) and Peppercoach, Clem Haskins, whose 17-10 Gophers are now bound for the

> "I think this team deserves bet-ter," said Providence's coach, Rick (20-7) got two of the last at-large Barnes, "Our kids did everything they had to do in the second half of the season. We were 8-3 in our final through the nitty gritty and it came 11 games, losing to the top three teams in our league, We think we proved how good we are by the way we played Connecticut and Seton Despite a 24-3 record, a Pac-10 Hall in the Big East tournament. This is a very good basketball

"When you measure what each did and Michigan's strength of But as John Thompson of - it's one of the most Georgetown, the coach of another difficult in the country - it came NIT relegated team, said, "We have nobody to blame but our-Duke has made five consecutive selves. We put ourselves in this po-Final Fours and six of the last sev-

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WASHINGTON — The news at the bottom of the picture. "What that the Clinton administra- do they look like to you?" tion wants to close half of the military bases in the United States has sent shock waves throughout every congressional district in the United States. It's not the national security

of America that's at stake. but the economies of the towns and cities where the hases

are located. You can now see a long line of

senators, congressmen, mayors, governors and lobbyisis Buchwald around the Pentagon waiting to

tary installations.

I spoke to a team of senior offi-cials from Fori Crumbling who were in line holding number 765. "Fort Crumbling" said the governor, "is the only deterrent we have in case of a sneak attack by Canada."

Yes, Canada, that ungodly, double-crossing country to the north of us whose missiles, as we speak, are poised against Little Rock, Arkansas." Those are strong words. Gover-

nor. Do you have anything to back them up? The governor snapped his fin-

gers, and the mayor set up an easel to display photographs.

"These were taken this morning hy a Federal Express plane which strayed across the border." He pointed to some dark round spots

"They look like hockey pucks."
"Aha! That's what the Canadians would like you to believe nothing more than hockey pucks. But hockey pucks don't have nose cones on them. In truth, they are missile siles aimed straight at the heart of America."

The governor went on to the next photo. "If we learned anything from World War II it is never to trust the Canadians. The only thing they understand is raw power. They must be shown that we will retaliate if they start anything."

A senator took over. "That's where Fort Crumbling comes in. As long as it remains open Canada knows that we have the first-strike

"But," I said, looking at his map. "Fort Crumbling is located in the southernmost part of California." "All the better." a congresswom-

an added, "It's well out of range of Canada's missiles. Even if Canada could knock out the rest of the United States, Fort Crumbling will still be standing ready to nuke Vancouver and every Hudson's Bay trading post from Montreal to the Arctic Circle."

Out of curiosity I hung around the Pentagon parking lot to see how they would fare. Six hours later the team came out elated - they were all smiles.

'How did you do?" I asked the "Great. Fort Crumbling will be saved because we agreed to turn it into a jogging track for President

A Coup for U.S. Museum

By Souren Melikian

anonal Herald Tribune ONDON- Dealer sources L report that a major landscape painted by Bernardo Bellotto be-tween 1756 and 1758 has been acquired by the National Gallery in Washington for "about \$10 million." The picture shows the fortified castle at Königstein in the

The transaction was concluded in January by Earl Powell, the di- the 18th century.

rector of the National Gallery, and the dealers who bought it in partnership, Bruno Meissner of Zurich and Konrad Bernheimer of London and Munich. The dealers bought it at Sotheby's on Dec. 11. 1991, for £3.41 million, a price that set a world record for the artist.

Utterly different in manner from the Venetian views of the painter, it is done in a dramatic stormy light and ranks among the masterpieces of European landscape painting in

Inside Black Panthers: A Woman's Story

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D ARIS - The Black Panther Party has been I called, by The Washington Post, the most important American militant organization of the 1960s and it was certainly the most dramatic: daring, doomed and glamorous enough to attract the white followers defined as radical chic. But little is known of daily life in the party, particularly the daily life of a black woman member. Take, for example, the courtship speech made by Masai Hewitt to Elaine Brown, who later bore

MARY BLUME

his daughter: "It's been six months, 12 shootings and six funerals since we met. I've known you

were the right woman since then."

By 1974 most of the party's leaders had been purged or killed and Brown had been named chairman by Huey P. Newton, her lover who was in Cuba on the lam from murder charges. Brown was in charge of \$1 million in party funds and a was in charge of 31 minutus in party into said and vigorous free food, legal aid, medical, political and educational program in Oakland, California. There were said to be about 5,000 party members and there were support groups formed by whites as far afield as Europe, Israel and Japan, And there was a huge arsenal, including the latest weaponry, explosives, and even crossbows and arrows (Brown herself packed a snub-nosed .38).

Striding in black boots before party members at their Oakland headquarters. Brown made her first speech: "I have all the guns and all the money. I can withstand challenges from without and within,

There were no challenges. Then Newton, acquitted of the murder charge, returned, more unruly than ever. After he had the jaw of a woman member broken "for disciplinary reasons." Brown fled to Los Angeles. Newton appropriated the party's funds to support his increasingly expensive drug habit, Brown says, and died in a street

"Huey should have stayed in Cuba but unfortunately it was Cuba. If it had been Paris he would have stayed," said Brown in an interview, stunning in a Sonia Rykiel pantsuit. Newton hated the heat and Cuba's spartan living conditions and would. Brown says, have preferred to live like Mao Zedong, "He loved that every two years Mao would issue a statement, go away for two years, come back and say, Know your friends. Know your enemies.' Then gone for two years! That's what Huey really wanted to do."

Brown's memoir, "A Taste of Power; A Black Woman's Story," was published this winter by Pantheon in New York and is in its fourth printing with a movie deal in sight. Sometimes funny, often awkward, always impas-sioned, the book is, she says, not a history of the Black Panther Party but of her own coming of age in the 1960s.

There is much domestic detail about the Panthers (the Fourth of July barbecue patriotically held before the revolutionaries went to North Korea, the decision to drink Champale instead of Gallo wine in support of Cesar Chavez's grape pickers' strike). There is contentious material and grim documentation of the FBI's attempts to destabilize the party. All this, with Bill Clinton's election, the film "Malcolm X," and the same nostalgia that has brought back bell-bottom pants, may have helped the book. But its real attraction, Brown says, is its affirmation



Elaine Brown recalls her days with Huey Newton.

of the view that the lot of American blacks is no better now than it was then. "I didn't talk to anybody who didn't say what do you think we should do now? Do you think re can be a Black Panther Party again? The conditions in America are such that there has been no settlement of issues so there will be no demise of a movement. O. K., so Ron Brown is in the cabinet, but we had blacks in the Senate in the Reconstruction era."

The party was founded in 1966. "Given the police repression, given the everyday emergency of our lives and the fact that we were doing all these new things and taking on more than we could, we didn't have the time to do what we should have done.

"But when I look around and see the consciousne today, that clearly comes from the Black Panther Party. It isn't Martin Luther King talking, Malcolm X didn't have time to develop. But there are free clinics, people are doing real community work, asking questions, and all those concrete things come from the civil rights movement, you

After leaving the party Brown went through two bank-ruptcies (one of them thanks to Newton using party funds that were in her name) and seven years of psychotherapy. She attended law school, starred easily in moot court after her speech-making experience, then wondered about de-fending a legal system she didn't believe in and dropped out. "The only course f failed was Criminal Procedures, which I thought was pretty funny in view of all the criminal procedures I had been involved in."

She has lived for three years in France with a white Frenchman, a fact which to her surprise was not resented when she went on her book tour. "I am here because the man I love is here," she says simply. She intends to use her book earnings and media clout to build a school and housing and create jobs in the Los Angeles ghetto and sees

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no problem in being based in France: "That's why God made airplanes."

Plaine Brown was born in 1943 in north Philadelphia. Her father was a distinguished physician who did not marry her mother and preferred, with his wife, to adopt a daughter rather than take on Elaine. She was a top student at an excellent mixed school, Girls High, and idolized Ayn Rand. She says she has always admired power and at the same time often felt she was a "nothing-little-nigger-girl."
"I'm either great or I'm nothing as you may know

from reading my book," she says, laughing. "I can't find my way to being mediocre or even just success-

With a hope of being a songwriter she went from Philadelphia to Los Angeles and became the only black cocktail waitress at the Pink Pussycat Club. Invited one night to go home with Frank Sinatra and his friends, she fell for Sinatra's friend lay Kennedy. Jay Kennedy, an older white writer who became her lover and mentor and instructor in the civil

In 1967 she began giving piano lessons in Watts and rapped with blacks in African dashikis who talked mild revolution and read poetry. The next year Martin Luther King was shot and Brown had left the poetry readings for the charismatic vio-lence of the Panthers. Huey Newton, whose title was Minister of Defense, was the leader, the son of a half white-half Jewish father and named after Huey Long: nearly illiterate but a brilliant speak-

er. He was a startlingly handsome man who from boyhood bad carried a hidden ice pick to defend himself from street kids because he had "good," i.e., not kinky, hair, and who perhaps recognized his own instability when, after Cuba, he tried to withdraw from the party and predicted its end.

With hindsight and the benefit of therapy, Brown now describes Newton as a sociopath. "I loved Fluey very much, f don't love Fluey now, f just see him in his time and place. People still say they'd like to kill Huey and the man's been dead for several years. You couldn't not react to Huey, he was just too dynamic and exciting a person to be around."

Analyzing the Black Panthers' charisma now, Brown says that even if they came from large ghetto families each of the party's leaders had been raised by his mother to think he was unique. "My analysis is if you were from the ghetto and had been told you were special, then you really had to hate the ghetto and think you deserved something more. Some people say we were media freaks but we were really very dramatic. We were an extraordinary group of people. What other group could have challenged the entire United States system?"

The taste of power referred to in the title of Elaine Brown's book was indeed intoxicating and she admits that she hated Newton for making her flee the party. The power she refers to is also that of a black woman who has decided she need no longer measure herself against whites.

Brown tells of a New York taxi ride with a black woman friend. While the women discussed hairstyles, the white driver, in the way of New York cabbies, injected his opinion and the other woman was deeply offended.

"I said why let a driver get you that upset just because he's white? Do you value his opinion as a white man so much? My attitude was to tell him thank you very much and just turn left here."

PEOPLE

Not Quite Dead: Music As Endangered Species

Liner notes from the rain forests: Mickey Hart, the Grateful Dead's drummer, has had no shortage of credits in his three decades with the band, but never before has he shared billing with the Library of Congress. Hart and the library's American Folklife Center are releasing "The Spirit Cries: Music from the Rainforests of South America and the Caribbean," the first of a series of planned CDs in the library's Endangered Music Project. This is hardly easy listering. The rhythms and har-monies are often jarring, always hard to ignore. Alan Jabbour, the center's director and co-producer of the CD, said, "This is endangered

Fernando Trueba's "Belle Epoque" has taken top honors at the seventh annual Goya Awards, win-ning nine prizes including best pic-ture. The awards are the Spanish equivalent of the Academy Awards. For the second straight year, Sir Georg Solti was awarded the top prize of the Academy of Lyrical Recordings. He won the French Culture Ministry prize for his recording of Richard Strauss's "Die Fran Ohne Schat-ten" with the Vienna Philharmonic and a cast including Placido Dominge. Talley Beatty, who has choreographed more than 50 works that have been performed throughout the world, is the 1993 recipient of the Samuel H. Scripps American Dance Festival Award. $\dot{\Box}$

Shirley MacLaine hears the song of the desert. The actress is selling her homes in California and Washington state and moving to a ranch near Santa Fe, New Mexico. Mac-Laine, who has written several books on spirituality, wants to write a new book when she settles in.

A church immortalized by Thomas Hardy in a novel has been left \$100,000 in the will of Richard Little-Purdy, professor in English literature at Yale University. He left the money to St. Michael's in Dorset, England, featured in "Under the Greenwood Tree.".

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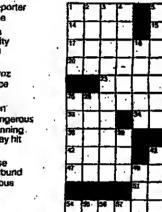
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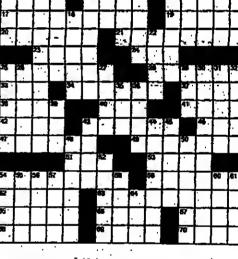
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THE CLIENT

By John Grisham. 422 pages. \$23.50. Doubleday.

Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

THE opening of John Grisham's latest legal thriller, "The Client," is irresistible. Eleven-yearold Mark Sway is leading his 8year-old brother, Ricky, into the woods near their trailer-park home in Memphis to give him his first cigarette. While the boys are lighting up behind some bushes, a long, black Lincoln rolls up a dirt road close by and pulls to a stop.

A chubby man in a black suit climbs out, removes a water hose from the trunk, attaches one end to the exhaust pipe, slides the other end through the partly open left rear window, climbs back into the

wants to run home, but Mark, be- the lawyer's garage. ing older and more streetwise, knows what he must do. He crawls to the rear of the car, removes the hose from the exhaust and sneaks back to the bushes.

The man elimbs out weeping and mumbling and holding a bottle of whisky, reattaches the hose and climbs back into the car. Mark pulls the hose loose again. This hizarre ritual continues until the man catches Mark and drags him into the car to die beside him. Inside, the man threatens Mark

with a gun and drunkenly explains wby be's committing suicide. He's a lawyer who does work for the mob. and one of his elients. Barry (the Blade) Muldanno, has murdered a U. S. senator. Nobody can find the body to use as evidence, but the Suicidal lawyer has just learned that on the staff of The New York Times.

car and starts the engine. Ricky Muldanno hid it under the floor of While the lawyer is telling Mark

all this and getting steadily drunker, Ricky removes the hose. Mark then escapes from the car and hides in the bushes again. The lawyer climbs out of the car once more, sees the detached hose and shoots himself in the head. The boys run home. Ricky goes into traumatic shock and has to be hospitalized.

What is most astonishing about the opening, which takes all of 20 pages, is how little Grisham does with it in the next 400 pages. "The Client" brings new force to the word anticlimax. But settle into "The Client" for the captivating

By Robert Byrne

NE mark of a great player is his ability to surmount calamity, a trait impressively shown by Anatoly Karpov in the 55th run-ning of Hoogoven International Tournament in Wijk-aan-Zee, the Netherlands. A Slav Defense be-comes a Semi-Slav when Black plays 4...e6 rather than 4...dc; 4...Bf5?! 5 cd Nd5 (5...cd 6 Qb3 is strong for White) 6 e3 e6 7 Bc4 Nd7 8 0-0 Be7 9 Qe2 would be superior for White. After 5 e3 Nbd7, the chief Semi-Slav plan is to answer 6 Bd3 by 6...dc 7 Bc4 b5 8 Bd3 and then either 8...a6 or 8...Bb7 to pre-

The object of 6 Qc2 is to discourage 6...dc because White would be a tempo ahead after 7 Bc4. After 6...Bd6, the currently popular pawn

pare an early counterattack with

Gary Kasparov's method of Qe5 Be5, winning a piece for Black. But after 18 Be3 od 19 Bd4 Be5 20

sacrifice with 7 g4!? had no lure for Karpov, who does not like the unclear when a solid, conservative move like 7 Be2 is available.

opening the position, 8...e5 9 cd cd 10 de Ne5 11 Rd1 Nf3 12 Bf3 Qc7, is not refuted, yet Illescas Córdoba lost with it against Vladimir Ako-pian in Chakcidice, Greece, last year and evidently does not trust it. Karpov acquired the bishop-pair with 15 Nf5 Bf5 16 Qf5 and Illescas ter with 16...ed 17 ed c5, relying on the point that 18 d57 Qe5! forces 19

Be5 Qe5 21 Qe5 Re5 22 Rabl Rb8 23 Bf3, Black's h7 pawn became Illescas Cordoba should have played 23...b6, but after 24 Nd5

Nd5 (24...N8d7? 25 Nb4!) 25 cd Nd7 26 d6, White's passed d6 pawn is dangerous. His alternative, 23. Rc5? 24 Bb7, may have been based on a failure to foresee that 24...Rc4 would have been ruined by 25 Ba6 Rb1 26 Bc4! with an easily

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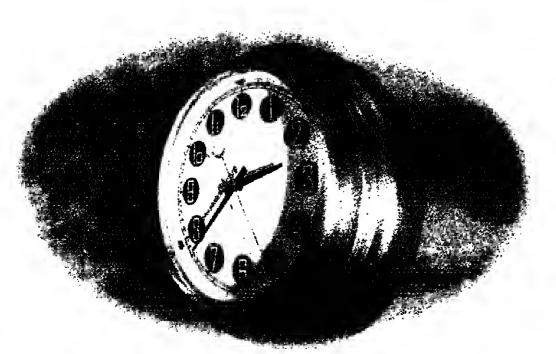
winning endgame for White. On 25 Nd5, Ilicscas Córdoba could not capture a pawn with 25...Rc4 because 26 Ba6 Rh1 27 Rbl Ra4 28 Rb8 Kh7 29 Bd3 Ne4 30 f3 wins the pinned knight.

Karpov could not force a win ning exchange of knights with 46 NG Nc4 47 Ne5 Ne3 48 Kf3 Nc2. Yet he soon found a nice way to win with 52 g4! hg 53 Kg4! Kg7 54 [5!, his point being that by opening front on the far king's wing, the black knights were unable to offer



Position after 51 ... Kf8





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